Sample Topics: Rights and Responsibilities in History

- Busting the Trusts: Progressives and the Government Duty to Ensure Competition
- The Elizabethan Poor Law: Rights vs. Responsibilities
- Jefferson, War and Embargo? The Embargo Act of 1807 and the Constitution
- Nazi Germany and the Rights and Responsibilities of a “Superior” Race
- A. Philip Randolph: Labor and Civil Rights Activist
- “Reaching the Heart of Africa”: The Africa Inland Mission and Evangelism
- The FHA, HUD and Federal Responsibilities for Housing in 20th-century America
- The British East India Company: Rights, Responsibilities and Profits
- Horace Mann and the State’s Duty to Provide Education
- The Geneva Convention and the Rights of POWs
- Eisenhower and the Integration of Central High: Civil Rights and Federal Responsibilities
- Emmeline Pankhurst and the Fight for Women’s Suffrage in England
- Keeping the Workers Quiet: Corporate Welfare in 1920s America
- No Right to Leave: The Berlin Wall
- The ACLU and the Defense of Liberty in America
- Emilio Aguinaldo: Fighting for Filipino Rights
- Put the Preachers in Jail: The Great Awakening in Connecticut
- The Inquisition: Enforcing Orthodoxy vs. the Right to Dissent
- Rights Trampled: Andrew Jackson vs. the Cherokees
- Blacks, Whites, Coloreds, Indians: Competing Rights in South Africa
- The Wagner Act and the Rights of Labor
- Trade Rights During the Napoleonic Wars: Freedom of the Seas?
- Truth Is a Defense: John Peter Zenger and Freedom of the Press
- Pure Democracy in Action: The Rights and Responsibilities of Citizens in Classical Athens
- Married Women’s Property Acts in 19th-century America
- Andrei Sakharov and Human Rights in the Soviet Union
- Lonely Voices: Conscientious Objectors in World War II America
- Nobles, Knights and Serfs: Rights and Responsibilities in Medieval France
- The Great Railroad Strike of 1877: Workers’ Rights, Government Responsibilities
- Justifying Rebellion: John Locke and the Right to Revolution
- A Duty to Protect Children: The Children’s Bureau
- Spanish Colorists and the Right to Mita Labor in Colonial Peru
- “No Taxation Without Representation”: The Stamp Act and the Coming of the America Revolution
- No Rights Left: Comfort Women and the Japanese Imperial Army, 1932-1945
- The American Indian Movement (AIM)
- The Quebecois: Minority Rights in Canada
- The Treaty System: National Obligations and the Origins of World War I
- The Curt Flood Case: Free Agency for Athletes
- The Mexican Revolution and the Rights of Peons
- The “Praying Indian”: Rights and Responsibilities in Puritan New England
- Changing Ideas of Citizenship in Ancient Rome
- The Scopes Trial and the Right to Teach Evolution in America
• Pledge to Mutual Defense: NATO's Role in the Cold War
• John Muir and the Duty to Save the Environment
• Daniel O'Connell and Catholic Emancipation in 19th-century Ireland
• Mormons and Freedom of Religion in America
• Restricting the Rights of Parents: Family Planning in China
• Mary Church Terrell: Advocate for Women and African-American Rights
• The Platt Amendment: Limits on Cuba's National Rights
• The New York City Draft Riots and the Duty of Military Service
• Bartholomew de las Casas and the Rights of Indians in Colonial Latin America
• The National Organization for Women and the Struggle for the Equal Rights Amendment
• Bismarck and the Creation of a Welfare State in Germany
• Development of Water Rights: Struggle Over the Colorado River
• Adam Smith and the Right of Free Trade
• The Regulators: Rights and Responsibilities in the Carolina Backcountry
• The Treaty of Versailles and National Self-Determination
• Miranda v. Arizona and the Rights of the Accused
• How to Dress: Changing Rights of Muslim Women
• Japanese-American Rights and Responsibilities in World War II
• The Struggle for Aboriginal Rights in Australia
• The Duty of Revenge and the Practice of Adoption Among the Iroquois in Colonial America