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Scholars vs. Athletes/Entertainers

In class Paragraph Timed Writing Assignment

After reading, summarizing, and discussing how China valued their scholars and how America has placed value on its athletes and entertainers, think about everything, combine all the information in order to write a paragraph on the following: “How would our society differ if we valued scholars over athletes and entertainers?”

Use the space below to do a brainstorming in order to come up with ideas to do a quick pre-writing on the backside of this paper. Then, once you have your ideas organized in the pre-writing, write the paragraph on your own paper. Remember, you must have a topic sentence, clear points, strong examples, correct transitions, and a concluding sentence. Your writing will be graded on your paragraph structure, use of transitions, grammar and mechanics, sentence structure, word choice, spelling, content and focus. So, plan and write well. Good Luck!

Pre-Writing Sheet

This does not count as your first draft!!!!

Name _____

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Topic/Question you need to write about:

Topic Sentence (has: Part of topic, say something, and # of reasons):

(1st Pt.) _____,

Transition word,

Example Sentence #1a (explains the PT)

Example Sentence #1b (shows/proves the 1st EX)

(2nd Pt.) _____,

Transition word,

Example Sentence #2a (explains the PT)

Example Sentence #2b (shows/proves the 1st EX)

(3rd Pt.) _____,

Transition word

Example Sentence #3a (explains the PT)

Example Sentence #3b (shows/proves the 1st EX)

Concluding Sentence (In short, Therefore, All in All, Consequently, In summary):
(CS) _____,

Pick
just
one of
these!

(PT) Transitions: (First, Second, Third), (One, Two, Three), or (To begin with, Next, Finally)