

Historical Reflections & Research Journal

This journal is designed to help students reflect on major historical eras through writing. Use it to explore key ideas, make personal connections, and build writing skills as you move through each period in history.

Era: Ancient Civilizations

Quick Write Prompts:

- • What stands out to you most about this era?
- • If you lived during this time, what kind of person would you be?
- • Which discovery, leader, or event from this era do you want to learn more about?
- • What questions do you still have?

Creative Writing Prompt:

- Imagine you're a child your age living during this time. Describe a typical day.

Connection Box:

This reminds me of: _____

Writing Space – Ancient Civilizations

Summary:

My Thoughts:

Sketch or Map (optional):

Era: Middle Ages

Quick Write Prompts:

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Writing Space – Middle Ages

Summary:

My Thoughts:

Sketch or Map (optional):

Era: Industrial Revolution

Quick Write Prompts:

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Writing Space – Industrial Revolution

Summary:

My Thoughts:

Sketch or Map (optional):

Era: Renaissance

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Writing Space – Renaissance

Summary:

My Thoughts:

Sketch or Map (optional):

Era: Age of Exploration

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Writing Space – Age of Exploration

Summary:

My Thoughts:

Sketch or Map (optional):

Era: Enlightenment

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Writing Space – Enlightenment

Summary:

My Thoughts:

Sketch or Map (optional):

Era: American Revolution

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Writing Space – American Revolution

Summary:

My Thoughts:

Sketch or Map (optional):

Era: Industrial Age (continued)

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Writing Space – Industrial Age (continued)

Summary:

My Thoughts:

Sketch or Map (optional):

Era: World War I

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Writing Space – World War I

Summary:

My Thoughts:

Sketch or Map (optional):

Era: World War II

Quick Write Prompts:

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Connection Box:

This reminds me of: _____

Writing Space – World War II

Summary:

My Thoughts:

Sketch or Map (optional):

Era: Cold War Era

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Writing Space – Cold War Era

Summary:

My Thoughts:

Sketch or Map (optional):

Era: Civil Rights Movement

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Writing Space – Civil Rights Movement

Summary:

My Thoughts:

Sketch or Map (optional):

Era: Information Age

Quick Write Prompts:

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Writing Space – Information Age

Summary:

My Thoughts:

Sketch or Map (optional):

Era: Modern Day (2000–Present)

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Writing Space – Modern Day (2000–Present)

Summary:

My Thoughts:

Sketch or Map (optional):
