

3 word summary of Kansas-Nebraska Act

Note: Assignment due on Friday November 2nd

Directions: Use your informational text handout on the Kansas-Nebraska Act to complete the following activity known as “Three Words.” Follow this in order.

a. Re-read the informational text which describes the Kansas-Nebraska Act and Bleeding Kansas. You will **list three higher level words (adjectives or nouns)** that will describe the events of the **Kansas-Nebraska Act and Bleeding Kansas**. Make your words those that are not common. In other words, don’t say “sad, terrible” etc. Make the words higher level.

b. Then, use those three words to **create 3 strong paragraphs** justifying why those words describe the Kansas-Nebraska Act and Bleeding Kansas.

c. Format:

1. Provide your term (underline the term whenever you use it in the text.
2. Short quote from the text
3. Justification of how the excerpt demonstrates that term.

d. My example-

****Three words that describe the Bill of Rights: Significant, joyous, inspiring**

“Significant, joyous, and inspiring are three words that describe the Bill of Rights. First of all, they are significant because this text defines what we know of as freedoms for the country. For example, the 1st Amendment states, “Congress shall make no law...abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press. Speaking one’s mind and writing one’s opinion are basic freedoms that are deserved by all peoples. Not every country has these rights written down on paper.

Next, the Bill of Rights are joyous. They are a cause for celebration. The 4th Amendment states, “The right of the people to be secure in their...houses... shall not be violated...” No longer does anyone have to worry about the police breaking down their door for no reason or losing privacy in their own home. The fact that people living in the United States can live free from these fears is something to be excited about.

Finally, the Bill of Rights is inspiring in the sense that it challenges Americans to think about how blessed they are as a nation. The 6th Amendment states, ...”the accused shall enjoy the right to a speedy and public trial...” The right to a trial is not a freedom that every nation possesses. The fact that this occurs in America inspires us to make sure that everyone is given a fair treatment by the law.”