

Essay Question WHG2

Analyzing the film *Young Bess*

Movies have the power to give us the look and feel of historical events, but they can also distort reality. After examining three sources of information about the life of Elizabeth I before she became queen, do you believe the movie *Young Bess* accurately portrays the relationship between Elizabeth and Tom Seymour? Was Ned Seymour portrayed accurately in the film? Use examples from the sources to support your position. Are you confident about your conclusion? Why or why not?

Four steps in answering an essay question:

1. Carefully read the question.
2. Find the topic sentence, and use it or paraphrase it.
3. Find the requirements, and answer them.
4. End with a conclusion.

Essay Question Evaluation Form

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Grading criteria:

Each paragraph begins with appropriate topic sentence	Yes	No
Minimum of three sentences per paragraph	Yes	No
Correct use of capital letters and punctuation	Yes	No
Proper spelling and grammar	Yes	No
Essay is typed and double spaced	Yes	No
Clear sentences	Yes	No
All requirements of the question are met	Yes	No
Information is accurate	Yes	No
Essay ends with satisfactory conclusion	Yes	No
Essay demonstrates thought and good understanding	Yes	No

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