

1 | General Information

Due Date	Topic	Important Documents
?????	Synthesis Essay: Indigenous Intersections	- Facing East - Follow the corn - White's Middle Ground - Atlantic on Mann's 1941

2 | Prompt

Indigenous intersections with European culture

1. What is an idea, theme, or commonality that connects the resources to each other?
2. What is your own thesis concerning this idea, theme, or commonality?
3. How can my thesis be supported by evidence from various sources? Revisit your

sources and notes – do they support your thesis?

3 | Quotes Processing

- "Words like 'invasion' and 'conquest' may now trip more easily from our tongues than quaint phrases like "the transit of civilization, 'yet the "master narrative" of early America remains essentially European- focused." (Facing 8)
- "Only after the establishment of large-scale European colonies—and the much bigger and more predictable patterns of trade they allowed— did Indians begin to use imported goods in ways that resembled the purposes for which they had been designed." (Facing 43)
- "The new things were **always** in some practical way superior to the old — lighter, sharper, more durable — but they were used in very familiar contexts." (Facing 44)
- "Something as basic as firemaking was radically simplified not just by axes that made firewood more readily obtainable but by flint and still 'strike-a-lights'" (Facing 44)
- "The vastly increased supply did not so much devalue what was once rare as create an innovative cultural phenomenon rooted in unprecedented abundance" (Facing 46)
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4 | Claim Synthesis

4.1 | Development

- **Claim**
 - Why does the claim address the prompt?
 - How does the evidence support the claim?
 - 1
 - 2
 - 3
 - So what?

5 | Defluffification

Chosen Thesis Claim

- Point a
- Point b
- Point c

So what? SO WHAT

Restated Claim

There's always the UCLA Writing Lab.