Generic Prompt

Directions for Writing:

Read the passage provided. Then, write an essay in which you agree or disagree with the author's central claim (the thesis).

- 1. Begin your essay by briefly summarizing the passage, identifying the author's claim and evaluating the evidence the author provides to support that claim.
- 2. Next, take your own position on the author's claim.
- 3. Finally, support your own position with specific examples from the passage and relevant examples from literature, history, current events, and/or personal experience.

You will have one hour to complete your essay. You may make notes on scratch paper.