

## Essay on the Fall of Rome

Students will write two paragraphs about the Fall of the Roman Empire, which we have covered in class. Using information from their notes, each paragraph will be five to six sentences long (or longer) and include:

- For the first paragraph, students will focus on the one or two primary reasons that they believe caused the Roman Empire to fall using the information we discussed in class. The paragraph should list the main cause(s) and why they think that is the reason the Empire fell. Using specific details from the notes and classroom discussion is recommended.
- For the second paragraph, students will discuss whether they believe this same event could cause the United States to collapse and give their reasons for their opinion. Students should include one or two similarities or differences between the United States and the Roman Empire.

The paragraph should be prepared on a computer and printed on white paper using a standard font. The use of a computer and spell checking is highly recommended. If a computer is not available, students should write neatly on a sheet of lined binder paper. Neatness and spelling do count even if completing this by hand.

Gathering additional information through research is not required, but students wishing to pursue this may do so.

If students need to review the packet we used in class, they may come in to room 3 at lunch on Monday, Wednesday or Thursday.

This assignment is due on Friday, September 16 before 8 am.