Question: In a 750 word essay, argue a position on whether or not Globalisation has had a positive impact on the global community.

Due Date: March 24th

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| **Criteria** | **Excellent****5-4.5** | **Very Good** **4-3.5** | **Progressing****3-2.5** | **Needs Improvement****2-1** | **Mark** |
| **Introduction and****Thesis Statement** | Effectively introduces the topic Thesis statement clearly and effectively identifies your position (answer to the question) Very clearly highlights supporting arguments to be discussed (without providing details)  | Topic is introduced Thesis statement identifies your position (answer to the question)Highlights supporting arguments to be discussed  | Somewhat of an introductionYour position is stated, but supporting arguments to be discussed are not clearSupporting arguments are outlined but position (answer to the question) is not clear | No clearposition taken Supporting arguments not clear nor outlined Choppy flow – a bit confusing Much more work needed with respect to answering the question |  |
| **Content**Evidence (facts & examples) Depth & Analysis  | Insightful, clearly focused, and well balanced arguments in support of your thesis are included Well evidenced response.  Variety of data used. (stats, direct quote, paraphrase).  Evidence cited in MLA.Highly effective explanations clearly show how the evidence supports the thesis – consistent throughout Synthesis is well developed with evidence and explanations fully and effectively integratedDemonstrates critical thinking and an in depth understanding  | Relevant and focused arguments in support of your thesis are included Relevant and mostly detailed evidence used. (stats, direct quote, paraphrase).  Evidence cited in MLAExplanations show how the evidence supports the thesis, however they need to be clearer and/or more convincingSynthesis is present, but not always effectively or consistently integrated Solid understanding demonstrated  | An attempt was made to include arguments in support of your thesis, however they need to be more relevant and/or focusedThere is some relevant, accurate evidence, but detail is insufficient Greater variety of evidence needed Explanations attempt to show how examples support the thesis, but limited and/or in need of much further elaboration Evidence appears to be “listed” and not analysed.Lack of understanding | Essay is too narrative or descriptive, you need to present clear arguments in support of your thesisMore accurate and/or specific evidence to avoid unsupported generalizations. Explanations and connections to thesis are not included In-text citation missingLittle understandingMLA not used |  **X3=** |
| **Organization and Mechanics****Formatting and Essay Rules** | Correct spelling and grammar used effectively all/almost all of the timeHighly effective topic sentences (each clearly presents a supporting argument), concluding sentences (clearly links argument and evidence to thesis), and paragraph structure used consistently throughout essayVery well organized and smooth transitions from one idea to the next Meets all formatting requirements:Blank white paper TypedDouble spaced Times New Roman font Correct page numberingCorrect MLA title page Correct MLA referencing Word Count included | Spelling and grammar used with considerable accuracy Good paragraph structure, relevant topic and concluding sentences (clear links to thesis) Organized and good flow from one idea to the next One –two formatting requirements are not met. | Spelling and grammar require more work Include more formal and relevant vocabularyMost topic and concluding sentences included, but need to be more consistently and directly linked to the thesis Three –four formatting requirements are not met. | Multiple spelling and grammar errors Sentence structure needs improvement Unclear, or inaccurate vocabulary Most/all topic and concluding sentences missing Paragraph structure unclear  Much more consideration of organization required More than four formatting requirements are not met. |  |
| **Conclusion** | Strong conclusion leaves the reader solidly understanding your position Effectively restates the thesis Clear and effective summary of supporting arguments Leaves the reader with something to think about | Conclusion restates your thesis and supporting arguments May leave the reader with something to think about Fairly smooth flow between sentences  | Conclusion attempts to restate the thesis, but somewhat unclear Summary of supporting arguments unclear or incomplete Choppy flow – needs improvement  | Thesis is not restated Summary of supporting arguments not included  Unclear how it relates to essay  |  |
| **Total** |  |  |  |  |  **/30** |