Writing an Effective Essay

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|  | | **Where should I do this?** | **Have I done this?** |
| **R** | Restate the Question | In my introduction |  |
| **A** | Answer the Question | In my introduction |  |
| **G** | Give evidence from other sources | To support any points I make in my paragraphs |  |
| **E** | Explain how your evidence proves your point | Each time I give evidence |  |

# Easy Essay Writing Wins

* Prepare an outline or mind map your ideas
* Make sure your essay has a clear structure
* Analyse don’t describe! Description is great to introduce a topic, but make sure your essay also includes your argument and interpretation of the evidence you use
* Remember to PEEL (Point, Evidence, Explain, Link) and RAGE
  + Use relevant evidence and research to support your points
  + Link it back to the question and explain why your point answers the question
* Look at the mark scheme in your handbook or ask your tutor for help if you’re not sure what to write.

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