

# US CITIZENSHIP TEST & OP-ED

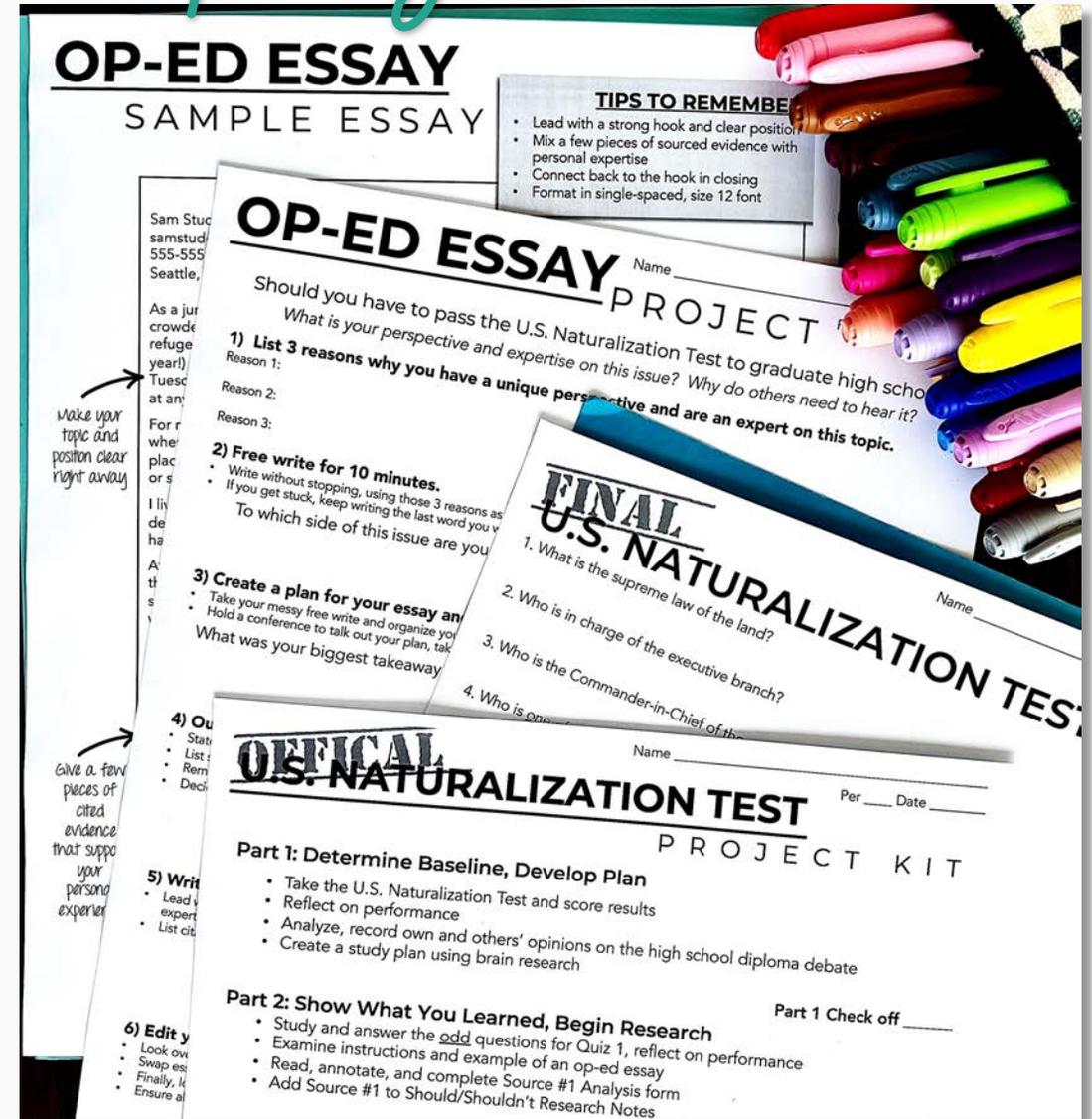
project kit

Create **empowered citizens** ready to participate in America's democracy!

## KIT INCLUDES

- ✓ **4-Test Series:** Practice, 2 mid-term quizzes, and final test
- ✓ **2 Options:** 60 civic-only **and** all 100 questions
- ✓ Study tools & research worksheets
- ✓ Op-ed essay how-to writing kit
- ✓ Step-by-step lesson plans
- ✓ Answer keys for all assessments

**MAKE THE PERFECT COURSE-LONG CIVICS PROJECT**



# I. 4-PART TEST *series*

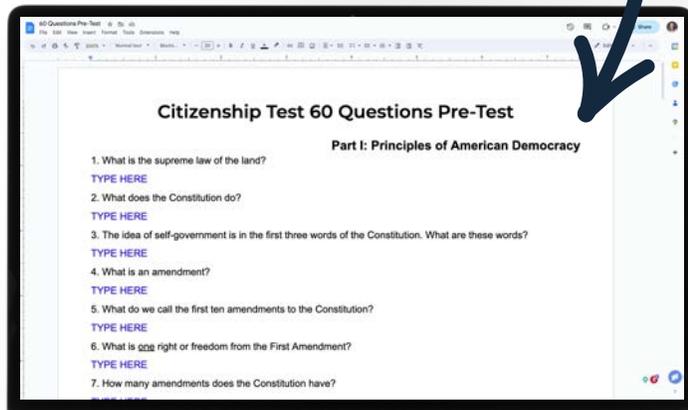
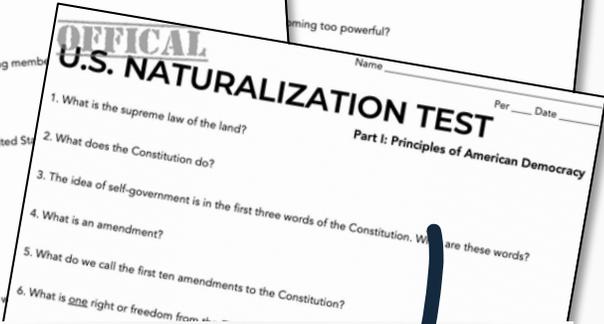
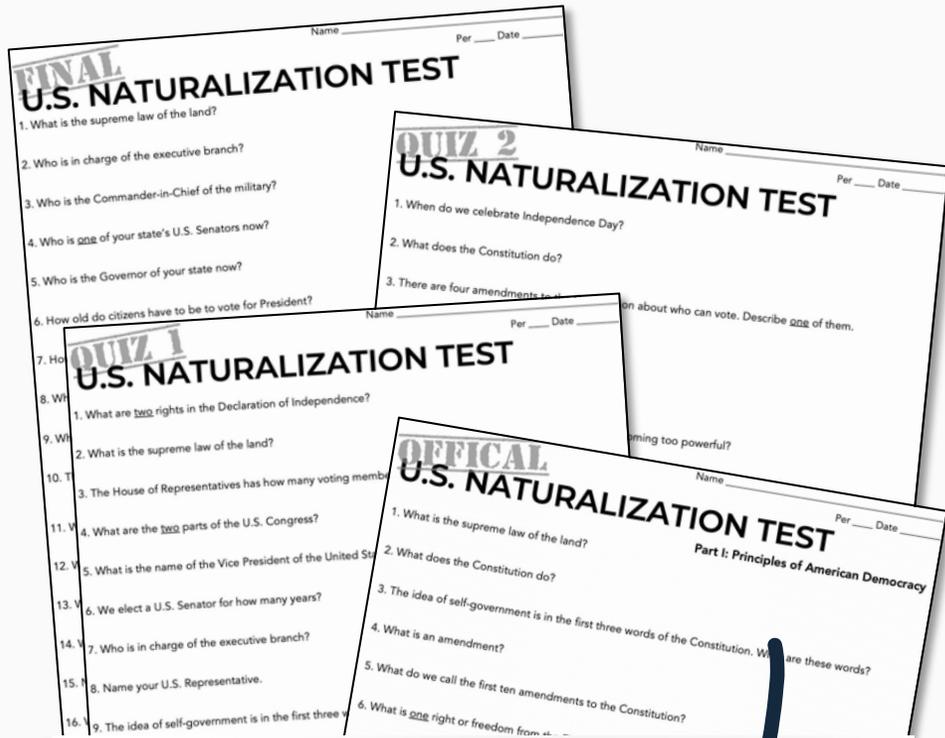
Empower students of **all ability levels** to rise to this challenge with this scaffolded approach.

**Pre-Test** – makes a perfect first-week activity!

**Quiz 1 & 2** – space throughout the semester, each quiz covers ½ the questions

**Final Test** – all questions from the pre-test, mixed in order (makes the perfect final for your course!)

**Test Score & Reflection Tracker** – help students improve between assessments!



“ I teach an **ESL Civics class** for students who might take the citizenship test. This gave us practice for the test and led to discussions about US history, culture, and government. – **TPT seller**

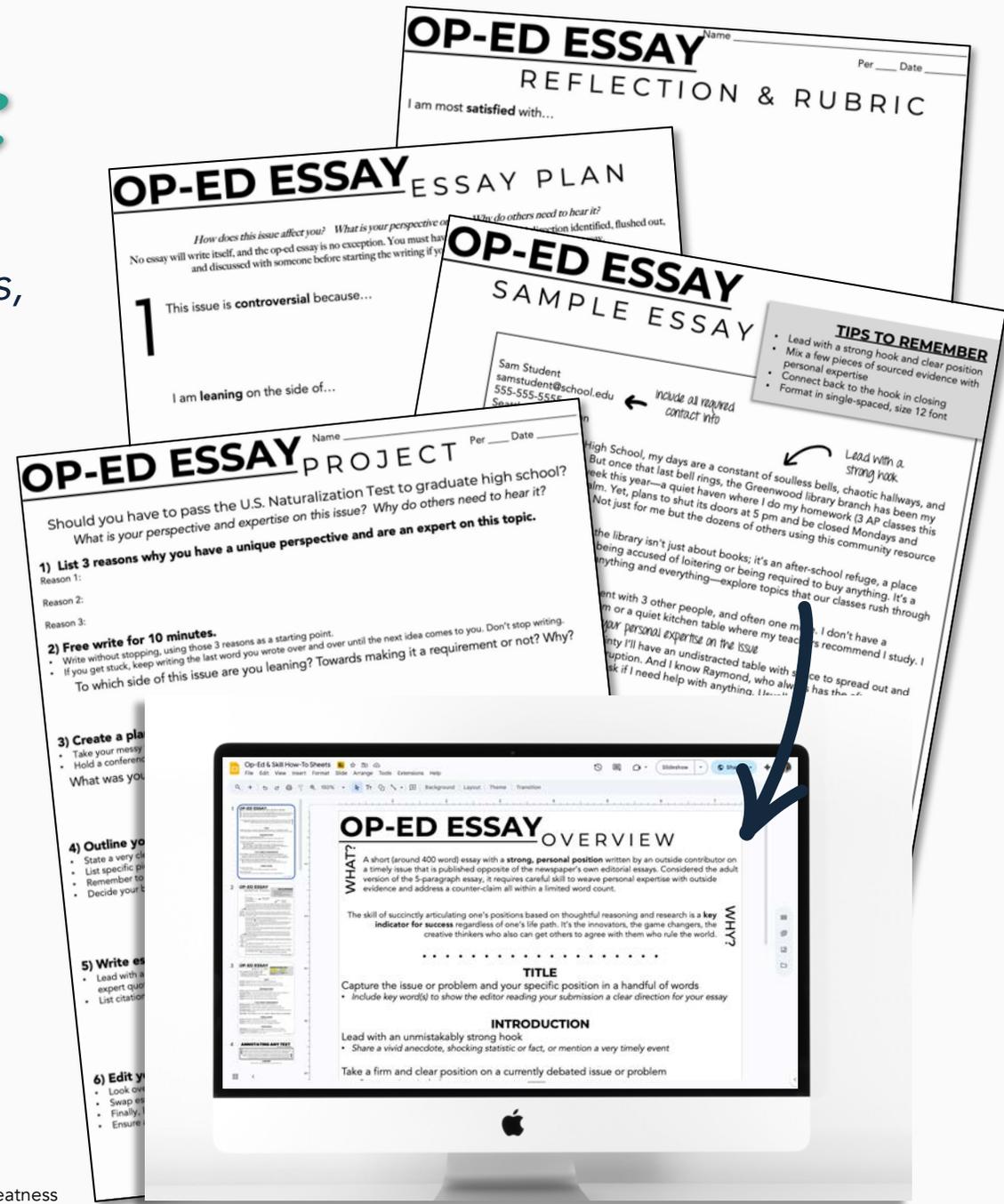
I love everything about this resource. It really allows us to **break down where the student is proficient** and where they are lacking. I really loved the certificates at the end, as did my students! – **Kathern P.** ”

# II. OP-ED ESSAY *project*

The **perfect capstone project** to end your Civics class, especially when time is running low at the end!

- ✓ **Project Check-off** coversheet to stay organized and accountable
- ✓ **Essay Brainstorm** forms to generate ideas for essay angle
- ✓ **Essay Writing** forms like sample essay, Essay Outline, & Self- or Peer-Edit for
- ✓ **Rubrics** & reflection questions

**YOUR STUDENTS ARE NOW  
UNIQUELY POSITIONED TO FORM A  
COMPELLING ARGUMENT**



# SCAFFOLD & SUPPORTS

*at every step*

## ALSO INCLUDED

- ✓ Study tip articles, study plan guide, post-quiz reflection questions & score tracking sheet
- ✓ Step-by-step essay project forms
- ✓ How-to reference handouts for researching, writing, and editing essays
- ✓ Digital files included too!

“ Great resource. Used as *part of my final exam* for my 12th-grade self-contained government. – Lisa M.

This was a great way to have students *think critically* about the content. – Brandon P.

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**ANNOTATING ANY TEXT SKILL SHEET**  
Coming from the word "note," annotation means to create notes on the paper, but it is more than simply highlighting. It's actively engaging - summarizing, questioning, expanding, as well as labeling and chunking information. A well-annotated text goes beyond highlighting and even note taking, it's **note making**. If you are reading to learn, then your brain needs to be constantly processing the ideas in the text and outputting it in some way to construct your understanding. It is a far better use of your time to slowly read a text once, making notes as you go, than to read it back through without. Put into numbers, a person typically remembers only 10% of what he or she reads, but up to 70% of what they write.

**CREATING A WORKS CITED SKILL SHEET**  
A works cited sheet is the **official and very strictly formatted list** of all the existing works referenced and pulled from in the creation of a new work. So often referenced within the text where evidence appears, but this list contains the complete list of all the works that you used to further explore the topic. Knowledge is meant to be built upon. What you know today is often based on the work of others. A complete and properly formatted list of the works that you used to build your knowledge, and it pays credit to those who helped you.

**DECIDING A POSITION SKILL SHEET**  
A belief so precise a specific adverb is used to answer the question, "How much so?" when considering the issue's complexity. This position is arrived at after deliberate research and careful weighing of evidence from both sides of the issue. When your belief is so specific that you can pinpoint it on a continuum line, it has been upgraded from an opinion to a position. A position means you have thought about the issue deeply and have considered evidence from both sides. Most importantly, it means **others should take what you have to say seriously.**

**FINDING APPROPRIATE SOURCES SKILL SHEET**  
Decide where each of these sources belongs along the continuum line from **SHORT & SWEET** to **IN-DEPTH & SCHOLARLY** by either cutting and gluing or writing them down on the other sheet.

Weather app  
Pew Research Center graph  
News article  
Blog post  
Movie review  
Front-page feature article  
Newspaper editorial  
Non-fiction book  
Wikipedia entry  
Ted Talk  
Academic study  
Presidential library archive  
Voter's pamphlet  
Company's "about us" page  
Washington Post poll results

Never  
Rarely  
Scarcely  
Barely  
Hardly  
Slightly  
Occasionally  
Partially  
Sometimes  
Often  
Sufficiently  
Consistently  
Mostly  
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