***THE ‘REYNOLDS METHOD’***

***FORMULATING ESSAY QUESTIONS AND WRITING INTROS***

“Write about *something”* or “Write on nuclear weapons”

“Are nuclear weapons bad??”

(**NOT THE BEST…..NOT SPECIFIC ENOUGH)**

“Was the United States justified in dropping atomic bombs on Japan at the end of WWII”

(**VERY GOOD……VERY SPECIFIC)**

* **TOPIC LOCATIONS/’PLAYERS’ TIME FRAME**

**2 REYNOLDS BREAKDOWN**

**1**

**“**Was the United States justified in dropping atomic bombs on Japan at the end WWII?”



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Topic Order for Intro (1 doesn’t necessarily 1 sentence….could be 2 or 3)

1 – End of WWII/WWII time frame - 1939-1945

2 – U.S. at private war w/ Japan - Worst war in history

3 – U.S. developing bombs - 60 million killed

4 – What is an atomic bomb

5 – Bombs were dropped

6 – Justified or not (If Polarized – “Though……it should……”) “**THE SWING”**

7, 8, 9 – Reasons – Japanese aggression, Ends WWII, Deters other countries

10 – Thesis!!!.....**SUPER EASY**…..change your question into a statement!!

“The United States was justified in dropping atomic bombs on Japan at the end of WWII”

“Clearly, Undoubtedly, It is without question…