**Your Personal Philosophy**

You have learned about many of the great philosophers of the Enlightenment age, but with whom do you agree? Please answer three of the following questions in your own opinion, connect them to the philosopher with whom you most agree or disagree, and support your point with evidence from current events or history.

* What is human nature? Naturally good? Wicked? Tabula Rasa?
* What is the effect of living in a civil society? Does it make us wicked or does it keep us in check?
* What would happen to people in a state of nature?
* Are all people equal?
* What kind of government would you choose for New York City? Why?
* What is liberty? What freedoms are most important?
* Does society practice utilitarianism?
* Should we be so focused on humans? Do the earth’s resources belong to us?

Formatting: This response should have five paragraphs. Please *type* this response in 12 point, double-spaced, Times New Roman font.

**Introduction**: Who, what, when, and where.

Who? Should mention each of the philosophers and summarize his/her beliefs.

What? What were some of the questions or themes with which they struggled?

When? What centuries?

Where? What countries?

**Body paragraphs**: answer the questions.

**Conclusion**: Point towards the future. Is there more to learn? What other connections can we make with today or the future.

**In addition**:

* You must mention at least ten vocabulary words.
* You must include a list of sources. You can’t quote them, but you need to cite them.