

“New York’s Future as I View It” Project

STEP 1: Review the essays

Spend about five minutes skimming through 10 essays in [this folder](#). You do not need to read each essay thoroughly; just try to get a sense of which essays stand out to you.

STEP 2: Analyze **one** essay

Select one essay from the folder that you’d like to respond to for this project. You might select an essay because a phrase stands out to you, because the tone strikes you, or because the content resonates with you in some way — there’s no right or wrong!

Essay Analysis
Essay Example Number:
School:
What words or phrases stand out to you in this essay? Why?
What did this student hope would happen to New York City? (While you may use bullet points, please include direct quotes from the text to support your claims.)
What did this student fear would happen to New York City? (While you may use bullet points, please include direct quotes from the text to support your claims.)

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STEP 3: Develop a response

What historical context is important for understanding this letter?

What does this letter teach you? How does it challenge or confirm what you already knew about New York in 1965?

What might this person need or want to hear from you?

How will you respond — by letter, drawing, or voice memo? (Circle one.) Use the space below to jot down some key points you want to convey in your response.