

## WRITING ASSIGNMENT (Elementary Grade) - History At Our House

Write a paragraph length explanation of how we today are connected to ancient Athens and Rome. Use your “portolan chart” / timeline and the following “outline” that we discussed in class in order to write. The first sentence of your paragraph is given. The rest is outlined in “point form.” You must turn those into sentences. And when you have finished writing your explanation, you can decide how to finish it all off, with your own conclusion!

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### WRITING OUTLINE

*The United States of America today is a republic that people call a democracy, and both of these ideas come from the ancient world.*

- *democracy from Athens (c.508 BC)*
- *first republic: Rome (c.509 BC)*
- *After Greece and Rome came the Dark Ages and the Renaissance.*
- *(Renaissance means “rebirth.”)*
- *Columbus discovered America (1492)*
- *Europeans colonized (came to live in) America.*
- *English colonists declared their independence in 1776 to make a republic.*
- *[Conclusion]*

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