

Congratulations! It is the year 2018, and because your favorite History teacher made you write so many analytical paragraphs, you are a journalist for the Washington Post. Your editor wants an opinion piece on the success of the early Chinese dynasties, in order to satisfy the demands of the local readers. Luckily, you are an expert on two of the first dynasties, the Qin and the Han dynasties. Your editor has charged you with the task of deciding which of the two was the most successful dynasty – the Qin, with its Legalist policies, or the Han, which moved away from Legalism towards Confucianism.

In your paragraph, your editor wants you to address the leadership styles of each dynasty, how each dynasty unified China and the legacy of each dynasty, in order to assess its success. You of course must edit your paragraph using the standard evaluation sheet and provide a clean copy, including all three sheets when you hand it in at your deadline. Good luck!

Every good journalist takes notes before they write their piece. Use the space below to organize your thoughts.