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## **Leaving Cert History**

## **Target sheet for essays [Higher Level]**



Feedback will be given on your essays using the target list below. Where you see a 'T' code you should use the list to look up the target and write it out in the margin using a red pen. Take action! Write improvements onto the piece of work using a red pen. Show your teacher!

T1	Underline key words and date parameters [if any] in the question.
<b>T2</b>	Contextualise essay by providing brief background information in your
	introduction.
<b>T3</b>	Signpost main essay points in your introduction. Ensure they are directly relevant
	to question.
<b>T4</b>	Introduction is too short or too long. 4 to 6 sentences will suffice.
<b>T5</b>	Clearly indicate where one paragraph begins and another ends. Go to the next line
	and indent.
<b>T6</b>	Write in the third person using formal language.
<b>T7</b>	Define this concept.
<b>T8</b>	Use topic sentence here.
<b>T9</b>	Information is inaccurate here.
T10	Poor word structure makes this sentence difficult to understand.
T11	This sentence is too long. Avoid using 'and' multiple times in a single sentence.
T12	Refer back to the question.
T13	Use PEE – point, evidence, explanation.
T14	Limit this paragraph to one developed point.
T15	Paragraph is too long. Reduce content or break into two paragraphs.
T16	Develop this paragraph/point further.
T17	Give an example to back up this point.
T18	Use a relevant quote here.
T19	Content here is not relevant to the question.
<b>T20</b>	Spelling, grammar or punctuation error.
<b>T21</b>	Use a link word here – Another, Furthermore, For example, In contrast.
T22	Your essay needs 8 paragraphs worth 7-8 marks each [Four/Five A4 pages].
<b>T23</b>	Use acronym here.
<b>T24</b>	Your essay must have a concluding paragraph.
T25	Use a phrase to indicate conclusion e.g. In conclusion, All in all.
<b>T26</b>	Show independent thinking in your conclusion. Go beyond mere summary.
<b>T27</b>	A part of the question was not addressed. Significant marks lost!
<b>T28</b>	This essay needs an entire redraft.
<b>T29</b>	Ask your teacher about this.