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**Asoka’s Legacy to the World 5-Paragraph Essay**

100 points

Rough Draft Due: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Final Draft Due: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Using the documents included in the packet, you will write an essay responding to the following prompt:

Emperor Asoka of the Mauryan Empire in India ruled during the 3rd century BCE. Was he a ruthless conqueror or an enlightened ruler?

Your essay must meet the following requirements:

1. be 5 paragraphs (5-7 sentences per paragraph)
2. have a clear and well-defined thesis statement
3. must demonstrate correct grammar and correct spelling
4. be typed – double spaced and in 12 point Times New Roman font