You will have 90 minutes to write on the essay topic that follows. Please read the directions below before you begin to write.

DIRECTIONS:
1. Read the topic a couple of times and note what it requires you to do. Complete all the tasks of the assignment.

2. You have 90 minutes to write on the essay topic. Take time to plan and organize your essay before you begin to write. (Scratch outlines are often quite helpful.)

3. Make sure that you support or illustrate general points with specific evidence and concrete examples.

4. Allow yourself enough time after writing to review your essay, check for errors and omissions, and make the necessary corrections.

5. The essay topic is designed to give you an opportunity to demonstrate your ability to write clearly and effectively. Perfection is not expected, but you should try to produce the best essay possible in the time allotted.

TOPIC:

Describe a time in your life when something changed your life for the better. Examples may include learning to dance made it easier for you to meet people, getting your braces removed made you less self-conscious, getting your first automobile made dating more fun.

(1) Describe what happened, and (2) tell how it made your life better.