**Step 2**

**EXPLAIN WHY IT MATTERS**

Put your reading into practice. Identify each term below, and then explain why it matters in U.S. history.

| **TERM** | **WHO OR WHAT & WHEN** | **WHY IT MATTERS** |
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| Clean Air Act of 1990 (p. 931) |  |  |
| Americans with Disabilities Act (p. 931) |  |  |
| Persian Gulf War (p. 934) |  |  |
| Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) (p. 939) |  |  |
| “don’t ask, don’t tell” policy (p. 940) |  |  |
| Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act (p. 940) |  |  |
| North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) (p. 946) |  |  |
| World Trade Organization (p. 946) |  |  |
| No Child Left Behind Act (p. 952) |  |  |
| USA Patriot Act (p. 954) |  |  |
| Iraq War (p. 956) |  |  |
| Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act  (p. 959) |  |  |