2014 Session A: English/Language Arts 1 Class Leadership Roles:

Read the writing prompt below and complete the writing activity. It’s the beginning of the school year, and the teacher is assigning class leadership roles. Some of these roles include field trip planner, lunchroom monitor, and class pet caretaker.

Write an essay to your teacher in which you explain what leadership role you would like to be assigned and tell why you want to lead that activity. You may choose one of the roles above or create your own role.

Be sure to include • a title and description of the leadership role you want • a description of the knowledge, experience, or skills you have that make you a good candidate for the leadership role • how this leadership experience would help you • an introduction, a body, and a conclusion to your essay

2014 Session B:

Read these lyrics from the song “Back Home Again in Indiana.” Then complete the writing activity that follows.

Back home again in Indiana And it seems that I can see

The gleaming candlelight, still shining bright

Through the sycamores for me The new mown hay sends all its fragrance From the fields I used to roam When I dream about the moonlight on the Wabash Then I long for my Indiana home

Think about a place that is special to you. This place could be in Indiana, as suggested by the lyrics in the song, or someplace else—even in your imagination. Write a description of this special place and tell why it is meaningful to you.

Be sure to include • a the name of the special place• a description of the location as well as events that took place• introduction, a body, and a conclusion to your essay