

The Social Impact

Problem/Solution Essay: Sample Student Response

Sample 4

In a state of nature, there are no laws for anything. No laws for your property or yourself. It is every man for him or her self. This is called a state of nature. A man name John Locke thought the solution was to create government to have rules or laws for the people. People would give up some of their freedom for security. It is called the social compact.

3-point Scoring Rubric

3	The response identifies the problem and solution with an accurate and relevant example.
2	The response identifies the problem and solution with an inaccurate, irrelevant, or no example.
1	The response identifies problem or solution with an inaccurate, irrelevant, or no example.
0	Inaccurate response

The student identified the problem, "In a state of nature, there are no laws for anything. No laws for your property or yourself. It is every man for him or her self. This is called a state of nature." The solution was explained as, "A man name John Locke thought the solution was to create government to have rules or laws for the people. People would give up some of their freedom for security. It is called the social compact." The student failed to provide an example of the social compact.