Formative Writing Assessment

Thomas Jefferson was one of America's most important Founding Fathers. He was the primary author of the Declaration of Independence and the third President of the United States. You have read two articles about Thomas Jefferson and his role in relation to slavery.

Create a claim (argument) with supporting evidence to answer the following question:

**Writing Prompt:** To what extent was Thomas Jefferson an American hero or hypocrite?

In your response, you must include the following:

- Use a form of logical organizational structure (Intro, Body Paragraphs, Conclusion).
- Evidence from both articles.
- Provide appropriate in-text citations.

Outside information is acceptable.