



Suggested writing prompt (~250 words)

Write an essay analyzing the relationship between international aid policy and public health outcomes, using the Uganda case as your primary example.

In your response, explain how the reduction or elimination of foreign aid—particularly from agencies like USAID—can impact healthcare systems, disease prevention, and mortality rates. Consider both immediate effects (such as reduced access to treatment or vaccines) and longer-term structural consequences (such as weakened health infrastructure or increased dependency).

You should also evaluate the ethical dimensions of foreign aid: To what extent are wealthier nations responsible for supporting health systems in lower-income countries? Is reliance on external aid ultimately helpful or harmful?

Finally, reflect on the broader implications of the story. What does this case suggest about the interconnectedness of global health, politics, and economics? Support your argument with specific details from the report and, if relevant, your own reasoning or outside knowledge.