Term Paper Topic

I would like to explore President Kennedy's motivations for creating the Peace Corps. Specifically, I would like to know what benefits he expected the program would generate; what concerns he might have had about starting such a program; whether he launched the program more for publicity or political reasons than out of genuine concern for the people living in the developing world; why he chose Sargent Shriver to run the program; how the program fit in with his overall approach to foreign policy; and whether he himself considered the program to be an important part of his administration.

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