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Write your answer to open response question one in the space provided on the answer sheet below.

1. In a 2008 weblog, acclaimed writer Philip Pullman stated, "Possibly, if the Commonwealth had been a success, if the Restoration had never happened, if the English Republic had been steady and just and lasting, Milton might never have written *Paradise Lost.*" Using your class notes and Kerrigan, Rumrich, and Fallon's Introduction on pages ix-xlix of *Paradise Lost*, explain what Pullman means when he says that if it wasn't for these historical events *Paradise Lost* might not have been written.

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