Writing Assignment #4

The Irish Potato Famine of the nineteenth century was important because it caused massive hunger, starvation, disease, and death; exacerbated Irish-British political conflict; and pushed thousands of Irish people to emigrate to the U.S.

Find the following web link:
http://www.historyplace.com/worldhistory/famine/index.html

Using the link’s various sections as well as Robbins’ arguments in chapters five and six, describe the reasons for the Irish Potato Famine, giving special attention to the following questions: Was the Irish Potato Famine caused by overpopulation? Was it caused by scarcity of food?