Task 9

Completion of 15 Data Based Questions.

In-depth analysis

1 essay due every two weeks in preparation of the AP Test or Department Final.

Content Standards:

1. Assess data and draw inferences

2. Present all information in a clear and concise written/ format.

3. Collect and evaluate and employ information from primary source material.

4. Distinguish valid arguments from fallacious arguments.

5. Identify bias and prejudice within historical documents.

6. Construct and test hypotheses.

7. Present all information in a clear and concise written format.

8. Assess data and draw inferences.

9. Demonstrate understanding of historical cause and effect.

10. Relate the connections, casual and otherwise, between particular historical events and larger social, economic, and political trends and developments.

11. Interpret past events and issues within the context in which an event unfolded rather than solely in terms of present-day norms and values.

12. Analyze how change happens at different rates at different times; understand that some aspects can change while others remain the same.
Process Standards:

1. Has a clear, analytical, and comprehensive thesis.
2. Uses all or almost all documents.
3. Uses documents persuasively as evidence
4. Shows careful and insightful analysis of the documents.
5. Analyzes bias or point of view in at least four documents cited in the essay.
6. Analyzes documents in additional ways — additional groupings or other.
7. Brings in relevant "outside" historical content.

General Task Description:

Students will be presented with a number of DBQ questions based on previous AP European History Tests. Students will be instructed to answer the questions using information from the primary sources provided. Skills developed in previous tasks will be used in the student’s quest to answer the question posed. Students will be instructed to follow the guidelines as stated.

1. Make sure you know what the question is asking.
2. Look for the point of view of the author of each document.
3. Take into account the social status of the author of each document.
4. Look for the tone of each document (look for sarcasm).

5. Look very carefully at the date of each document.

6. Look for change over time in the documents.

7. Look for possible solutions in the documents.

8. Remember that the documents are not necessarily facts. Many times the documents simply express an opinion or perception.

9. Respect the documents.

10. Do not make a document say something it doesn't really say.

11. Assume the reader of the exam knows the documents inside and out but cite the documents that you use either with author or number.

12. Documents are often given in chronological order BUT do not use them in chronological order.

13. Use of all the documents is not necessary. Don't force the documents to fit, though.

14. The thesis must not be simply a restatement of the question.

15. Do not ramble.

16. Answer the question that is asked.

All essays will be turned into Mr. Gannon for grading per rubrics. Along with each essay, students will turn in their own self-grading based on the rubric below. Hopefully this will allow students a better understanding of themselves and their abilities. This reflective process will enhance the ability of the student to reach the goals set out earlier in this project.
Rubric:

As I am preparing these students to take a College Board Test I feel that it is only duty to use the same rubric that they will be faces with. For My World Studies class I will modify the Rubric. For the purpose of EDN 501 I have forwarded the modified version. Student will have a copy of this and are encouraged to use it as a tool to improve the understanding and critical thinking skills.

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