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AP[®] European History

Scoring Guidelines

Set 2

Question 1: Short Answer Secondary Source**3 points****General Scoring Notes**

- Each point is earned independently.
- **Accuracy:** These scoring guidelines require that students demonstrate historically defensible content knowledge. Given the timed nature of the exam, responses may contain errors that do not detract from their overall quality, as long as the historical content used to advance the argument is accurate.
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[a] Describe an argument the author makes in the passage about the French Revolution. **1 point**

Examples that earn this point include the following:

- The French Revolution largely excluded women as it developed, particularly in its more radical phases.
- The French Revolution emphasized masculinity and bonds between men.
- Marie Antoinette became a stand-in for arguments for the exclusion of women from public life.
- Marie Antoinette served as a lesson for women who sought political power.
- French Revolutionary leaders reinforced notions of masculinity and virility.

[b] Describe a development prior to the French Revolution that influenced the view of women described in the passage. **1 point**

Examples that earn this point include the following:

- The arguments made by Rousseau, and others, for the exclusion of women from politics were similar to the attacks on Marie Antoinette.
- The Renaissance emphasized that the concept of civic humanism applied only to men and denied a public sphere for women either in politics or the arts.
- The Scientific Revolution asserted that differences in male and female physiology indicated that women had reduced intellectual abilities in comparison to men.
- Religious values [Catholicism, Protestantism] reinforced traditional values about the proper social roles for men and women.
- Suspicion about the involvement of women in the practice of witchcraft led men to question the ability of women to perform effectively in positions of authority.

- Enlightenment writings and the role of salons encouraging women to be active in exercising popular sovereignty.
 - Enlightenment print culture was mostly created by men and mostly read by men.
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[c] Describe development in the late 1900s that may have influenced the author’s perspective **1 point**

Examples that earn this point include the following:

- Women increasingly took high political office in Europe, such as Margaret Thatcher in Britain.
- Feminism challenged accepted ideas of women’s role in the home and in public life.
- Economic changes affected women’s roles in the workforce and in family life.
- Social changes such as the introduction of birth control offered women greater control over their bodies and greater access into the professional world.
- Gains in the early twentieth century such as suffrage paved the way for women to seek political office after the Second World War.
- Movements for civil rights and gay rights of the late twentieth century influenced feminist movements that challenged discrimination on the basis of gender.

Total for question 1 3 points

Question 2: Short Answer Primary Source**3 points****General Scoring Notes**

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[a] Describe how the card reflects a European view of Africa. **1 point**

Examples that earn this point include the following:

- Africa is portrayed as rich in resources, as evidenced by the depiction of ivory as well as the incidental depiction of timber and plants.
- Africa is portrayed as exploitable due to its abundant source of manual labor and natural resources.
- Africa has rivers and railroads that make it easier to gain control of resources and markets.
- The artist portrayed Africans as adopting European customs and dress in order to suggest that the European civilizing mission was successful.

[b] Explain how a broader economic development is reflected in the depiction of the Belgian Congo in the image. **1 point**

Examples that earn this point include the following:

- Industrialization led to the ability to produce the goods necessary to build a widespread transportation system, like the railroad depicted.
- Industrialization facilitated the mass production of the weaponry used to subdue and then arm indigenous peoples.
- European imperialists used economic justifications for the right to control the resources of Africans.
- The Congress of Berlin ratified the right to exploit the wealth of colonial territories in Africa.
- The demand for luxury goods, such as ivory, led to the acquisition of colonial possessions.
- Consumerism in Europe led to a greater number of advertisements featuring African products.
- King Leopold exploited the Belgian Congo for his own personal wealth.

- [c]** Explain how the type of colonial relationship portrayed in the image would change after the First World War. **1 point**

Examples that earn this point include the following:

- The First World War and the destruction in Europe led colonized peoples to question the civilizing mission that justified European imperialism.
- The German loss of African colonial territories after the Treaty of Versailles and the redistribution of those areas to Britain and France changed the distribution of colonial territories in Africa.
- Economic weakness resulting from the world wars and/or the Great Depression eventually led to the loss of almost all European colonial holdings and independence for former colonial territories.
- Indigenous soldiers returning from the Great War often formed the core of later colonial resistance movements.

Total for question 2 3 points

Question 3: Short Answer No Stimulus**3 points****General Scoring Notes**

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[a] Describe one major Protestant belief in the period 1517 to 1650. **1 point**

Examples that earn this point include the following:

- Protestants generally believed the Catholic Church was corrupt.
- Some Protestants saw wealth and prosperity as signs of God’s favor.
- Protestants believed the pope could not claim spiritual authority.
- Protestants believed that the Bible was the sole source of true Christian doctrine.
- Protestants believed that faith alone was necessary for salvation and denied the need to do “good works.”
- Protestants believed in the “priesthood of all believers” and gave less authority to clergy.
- Protestants questioned some Catholic sacraments or practices and re-interpreted others.
- Some Protestants believed in the predestination of individuals to salvation or damnation, others believed in adult baptism
- Protestants generally resisted the centralizing power of the Catholic Church.

[b] Explain one way in which the Protestant Reformation affected European politics in the period 1517 to 1650. **1 point**

Examples that earn this point include the following:

- The Protestant and Catholic Reformations caused divisions in the religious and political order of Europe, eventually ending the ideal of universal Christendom.
- Conflicts between Protestants and Catholics led to religious wars in Europe.
- In some areas, monarchs gained the right to determine the official religion of their domain [*cuius regio est religio*].
- Conflicts between Protestants and Catholics led to internal conflicts in England, France, and the Holy Roman Empire.

- Conflicts sometimes led to official toleration of minority religions [e.g., the Edict of Nantes in France]
- Various reform groups, such as Anabaptists, challenged the monarch’s control of religious institutions.
- Issues of religious reform worsened the conflicts between the monarchy and the nobility in some states.
- Calvinists in Geneva attempted to unify religious and secular authority and create a theocratic state.

[c] Explain one way in which the Enlightenment further changed religious practices in Europe in the period 1650 to 1815. **1 point**

Examples that earn this point include the following:

- The rational approach to religious practices led to societal demand, often fulfilled by enlightened despots, for religious toleration.
- Enlightenment concepts, such as human reason and rationalism, challenged the established ideas on the role of faith.
- Enlightenment thinkers, such as John Locke and Voltaire, advocated for the principles of equality and individual rights, which contributed to religious toleration.
- Enlightenment (distrust of religious “fanaticism) concepts, such as secularism and empiricism, encouraged people to regard religion more as a private matter than a public practice.
- Following Enlightenment principles, liberal revolutionaries in France sought to bring religion under state control and to end the privileged position of the Catholic Church.
- Radical revolutionaries in France sought to replace Christianity with a religion [the Cult of the Supreme Being] that they claimed was based on Enlightenment principles.
- Deism stressed natural law and rejected divine revelation, resulting in a change in religious practices.

Total for question 3 3 points

Question 4: Short Answer No Stimulus**3 points****General Scoring Notes**

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[a] Describe one major characteristic of the First World War. **1 point**

Examples that earn this point include the following:

- The war resulted in immense losses and disruptions for all involved states.
- New technologies such as machine guns, poison gas, and airplanes upset traditional military tactics and strategies.
- The war led to trench warfare and heavy losses of men.
- The war became globalized as European powers attacked each other's colonies and used colonial resources and manpower to support the war effort.
- The war led to total mobilization of people and resources, a total war that involved all of the population, including colonies.
- Increased government mobilization of the economy led to the end of laissez-faire governments.
- The government took unprecedented control of media and used propaganda to support the war effort.

[b] Explain one major cause of the First World War. **1 point**

Examples that earn this point include the following:

- Nationalism was closely linked to increased militarism and created high tensions in Europe, which eventually led to World War I.
- European powers had undertaken a major expansion of their militaries and were involved in a major arms race before the war.
- The assassination of the Austro-Hungarian heir to the throne led to a diplomatic crisis among the major powers in Europe.
- Imperial competition for colonies and resources caused rivalry and hostility between major European powers in the decades leading to the conflict.
- Due to the alliance system, all major European powers were brought into a Balkan conflict between Serbia and Austria-Hungary.
- Germany sought to gain more land and economic resources in Europe.
- Leaders of states that faced internal divisions saw war as a means to provide unity.

- [c]** Explain one way in which the First World War contributed to changes in European politics in the interwar period [1919 to 1939]. **1 point**

Examples that earn this point include the following:

- The effects of the war led to protest and insurrection in the participating nations and eventually to revolutions that changed the international balance of power.
- World War I debt and disrupted trade contributed to the weakening of European economies.
- France and Britain received former German and Ottoman possessions in the Middle East through the mandate system, changing the imperial balance of power.
- The Versailles settlement, which imposed reparations on Germany, prevented the Weimar Republic from establishing a stable political and economic system.
- The harsh terms of the Versailles settlement led some nations to reject liberalism and slip into more authoritarian rule such as fascism during the 1930s.
- Perceptions of women’s roles during and after the war effort changed and led to greater political participation including voting rights in some nations.
- Aversion to the devastation of the war motivated efforts to avoid future conflict at all costs through the League of Nations, appeasement, and pacifism.

Total for question 4 3 points

Question 1: Document-Based Question, Fascism—Revolutionary or Traditional

7 points

General Scoring Notes

- Except where otherwise noted, each point of these rubrics is earned independently; for example, a student could earn a point for evidence without earning a point for thesis/claim.
- **Accuracy:** The components of these rubrics require that students demonstrate historically defensible content knowledge. Given the timed nature of the exam, essays may contain errors that do not detract from their overall quality, as long as the historical content used to advance the argument is accurate.
- **Clarity:** Exam essays should be considered first drafts and thus may contain grammatical errors. Those errors will not be counted against a student unless they obscure the successful demonstration of the content knowledge, skills, and practices described below.

Evaluate whether Italian fascism was a revolutionary or a traditional movement.

Reporting Category	Scoring Criteria	
<p>Row A Thesis/Claim [0-1 points]</p>	<p>0 points Does not meet the criteria for one point.</p>	<p>1 point Responds to the prompt with a historically defensible thesis/claim that establishes a line of reasoning.</p>
Decision Rules and Scoring Notes		
<p>Responses that do not earn this point:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Are not historically defensible. • Only restate or rephrase the prompt. • Do not respond to the prompt. • Do not establish a line of reasoning. • Are overgeneralized. 		<p>Responses that earn this point:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide a historically defensible thesis or claim about whether Italian fascism was traditional or revolutionary. The thesis or claim must either provide some indication of the reason for making that claim OR establish categories of the argument.
<p>Examples that do not earn this point:</p> <p>Provide a restatement of the prompt</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>“Fascism was both revolutionary and conservative.”</i> <p>Provide a historically defensible claim, but do not establish a line of reasoning</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>“Fascists were basically conservative nationalists.”</i> <p>Establish a line of reasoning, but do not provide a historically defensible claim</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>“Mussolini and the fascists opposed radical movements like the communists.”</i> 		<p>Examples that earn this point:</p> <p>Establish a line of reasoning that evaluates the topic of the prompt</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>“When they sought to gain power, fascists used the language of revolution, but they became largely conservative when they were in charge.”</i> • <i>“Mussolini and others continued to define the fascist movement as being opposed to the failures of the previous period, so it was a revolutionary movement.”</i> <p>Establish a line of reasoning that evaluates the topic of the prompt with analytic categories</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>“Fascism was actually quite conservative as can be seen from their economic policies, their alliance with Catholicism, and their treatment of women.”</i> <p>Establish a line of reasoning</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>“Italian fascism was revolutionary because it replaced democracy in Italy with dictatorship.”</i> [Minimally acceptable thesis/claim]
<p>Additional Notes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The thesis or claim must consist of one or more sentences located in one place, either in the introduction or the conclusion [which may not be limited to the first or last paragraphs]. • The thesis or claim must identify a relevant development[s] in the period, although it is not required to encompass the entire period. 		

Reporting Category	Scoring Criteria	
<p>Row B Contextualization</p>	<p>0 points Does not meet the criteria for one point.</p>	<p>1 point Describes a broader historical context relevant to the prompt.</p>
<p>[0-1 points]</p>	<p>Decision Rules and Scoring Notes</p>	
<p>Responses that do not earn this point:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide an overgeneralized statement about the time period referenced in the prompt. • Provide context that is not relevant to the prompt. • Provide a passing phrase or reference. 	<p>Responses that earn this point:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accurately describe a context relevant to whether Italian fascism was traditional or revolutionary. 	
<p>Examples that do not earn this point:</p> <p>Do not provide context relevant to the topic of the prompt</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>“Italy has always been a cultural center of Europe.”</i> <p>Provides only a passing phrase or reference</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>“World War I had just ended when the fascists began to rise in Italy.”</i> <p>Provides historically inaccurate contextualization</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>“Italy was on the losing side in World War I and this shook up the country’s politics.”</i> 	<p>Examples of relevant context that earn this point include the following, if appropriate elaboration is provided:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The devastation of World War I • The humiliations suffered by Italians in World War I and the post-war settlements • European postwar economic instability • The fragmented politics of Italy—the existence of multiple competing parties • The spread of socialist and Marxist ideas in Europe during and after World War I • The rise of fascism in other parts of Europe beyond Italy [including Nazi Germany] • Continued regional differences in Italy—economic, political, cultural • Many Italians’ perception of government failure and corruption • Nationalism and Italian unification • Universal male suffrage achieved in 1918 <p>Examples of acceptable contextualization:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>“Even though Italy was one of the ‘victors’ of WWI, the country suffered heavily and experienced many costly defeats during the war.”</i> • <i>“Democracies across Europe were unstable in the period after World War I.”</i> [Minimally acceptable contextualization] 	
<p>Additional Notes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The response must describe broader historical events, developments, or processes that occur before, during, or continue after the time frame of the question that are relevant to the topic of the prompt. • To earn this point, the context provided must be more than a phrase or reference. 		

Reporting Category	Scoring Criteria		
<p>Row C Evidence</p> <p>[0-3 points]</p>	Evidence from the Documents		
	<p>0 points Does not meet the criteria for one point.</p>	<p>1 point Uses the content of at least three documents to address the topic of the prompt.</p>	<p>2 points Supports an argument in response to the prompt using at least four documents.</p>
Decision Rules and Scoring Notes			
<p>Responses that do not earn points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use evidence from less than three of the documents Misinterpret the content of the document Quote the content of the documents without providing an accompanying description Address documents collectively rather than considering separately the content of each document 	<p>Responses that earn 1 point:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accurately describe—rather than simply quote—the content from at least three of the documents to address whether Italian fascism was traditional or revolutionary. <p>Examples of describing the content of a document:</p> <p>Describe evidence from the documents relevant to the topic but do not use that evidence to support an argument</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> [Document 2]: <i>“Corradini claims there is no daylight between what Mussolini does and what fascism is.”</i> [Document 4]: <i>“The author of the article praises fascist support of the arts.”</i> 	<p>Responses that earn 2 points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support an argument in response to the prompt by accurately using the content of at least four documents. <p>Examples of supporting an argument using the content of a document:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> [Document 1]: <i>“By defining himself as being against the communists, the most revolutionary party, Mussolini is establishing his conservative credentials.”</i> [Uses evidence from the document to support an argument about the conservative nature of the Fascist movement] [Document 7]: <i>“The creation of militarized groups of women like the one discussed on Doc 7 indicates that the fascists were willing to go against traditional gender roles if they felt it was necessary.”</i> [Uses evidence from the document to support an argument about the revolutionary tendencies of fascism] 	
<p>Additional Notes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To earn two points, the four documents do not have to be used in support of a single argument—they can be used across sub-arguments or to address counterarguments. 			

Row C [Continued]	Evidence beyond the Documents:	
	<p>0 points Does not meet the criteria for one point.</p>	<p>1 point Uses at least one additional piece of specific historical evidence [beyond that found in the documents] relevant to an argument in response to the prompt.</p>
	Decision Rules and Scoring Notes	
	<p>Responses that do not earn this point:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide evidence that is not relevant to an argument about the prompt. • Provide evidence that is outside the time period or region specified in the prompt. • Repeat information that is specified in the prompt or in any of the documents. • Provide a passing phrase or reference. 	<p>Responses that earn this point:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must use at least one specific piece of historical evidence relevant to whether Italian fascism was traditional or revolutionary <p>Examples of specific and relevant evidence beyond the documents that earn this point include the following, if appropriate elaboration is provided:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fascist Italy’s alliance with Nazi Germany • The importance of the Catholic Church in Italian life • Mussolini’s March on Rome [1922] • The Italian fascist conquest of Ethiopia [1935] • Mussolini’s earlier affiliation with the Italian Socialist Party • Socialist, communist, and anarchist movements in Italy • Fascist policies of militarism and arms build-up • Pre-war radicalism in Italy, especially Futurism <p>Examples of evidence beyond the documents relevant to an argument about the prompt:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>“The Futurists, who wanted to destroy the old world they saw as tired and corrupt, supported fascism strongly.”</i> [Provides a piece of evidence not in the documents relevant to an argument about the prompt] • <i>“The conquest of Ethiopia in 1935 indicates the fascists’ desire to act like any other European imperial power.”</i> [Provides a piece of evidence not in the documents relevant to an argument about the prompt]
<p>Additional Notes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Typically, statements credited as evidence will be more specific than statements credited as contextualization. • To earn this point, the evidence provided must be different from the evidence used to earn the point for contextualization. • To earn this point, the evidence provided must be more than a phrase or reference. • The point for evidence beyond the documents may be awarded for evidence that appears in any part of the response. 		

Reporting Category	Scoring Criteria	
Row D Analysis and Reasoning [0-2 points]	Sourcing	
	0 points Does not meet the criteria for one point.	1 point For at least two documents, explains how or why the document’s point of view, purpose, historical situation, and/or audience is relevant to an argument.
	Decision Rules and Scoring Notes	
Responses that do not earn this point: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Explain sourcing for fewer than two of the documents. Identify the point of view, purpose, historical situation, and/or audience but fail to explain how or why it is relevant to an argument. Summarize the content or argument of the document without explaining the relevance of this summary to the point of view, purpose, historical situation, and/or audience. 	Responses that earn this point: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Must explain how or why—rather than simply identifying—the document’s point of view, purpose, historical situation, or audience is relevant to an argument that addresses the prompt for each of the two documents sourced. 	
Examples that do not earn this point: Identify the point of view, purpose, historical situation, and/or audience, but do not explain how or why it is relevant to an argument <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>“Starace in Document 5 is enthusiastically promoting the benefits of fascist recreational clubs to the general public.”</i> Summarize the content of the document without explaining the relevance of this to the point of view, purpose, historical situation, and/or audience <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>“The flattering illustration of Mussolini signing a treaty with the papacy depicts a defining moment for his regime.”</i> [Note that the inclusion of the word “flattering” is not enough by itself to gain credit for sourcing.] 	Example of acceptable explanation of the relevance of the author’s point of view: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> [Document 4]: <i>“As an artist and critic, Persico judges the fascist regime to be revolutionary based on his ideas about art.”</i> [Identifies the point of view of the source and how this affects the author’s perception of Fascism] Example of acceptable explanation of the relevance of the author’s purpose: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> [Document 6]: <i>“The author of a women’s magazine article is attempting to convince mothers that Mussolini and the fascists see their traditional roles as wife and mother as vital for the state.”</i> [Connects the purpose of the document to an argument that fascists were conservative] Example of acceptable explanation of the relevance of the historical situation of a source: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> [Document 1]: <i>“Mussolini, speaking just after the war that killed thousands of ordinary Italians seeks to restore their traditional loyalty to symbols like the flag, but employs revolutionary terms to do it.”</i> [Connects the historical situation of the document to an argument about the mixed nature of the fascist movement] Example of acceptable explanation of the relevance of the audience: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> [Document 3]: <i>“The illustration on the cover of a major newspaper is aimed at spreading the message that Mussolini is allied with the traditional forces of organized religion to a broad cross-section of Italian society.”</i> [Connects the audience of the document to argument that fascism was conservative] 	

Row D [continued]	Complexity	
	<p>0 points Does not meet the criteria for one point.</p>	<p>1 point Demonstrates a complex understanding of the historical development that is the focus of the prompt through sophisticated argumentation and/or effective use of evidence.</p>
Decision Rules and Scoring Notes		
	<p>Responses that earn this point: May demonstrate a complex understanding through sophisticated argumentation that is relevant to the prompt. This may be done in a variety of ways, such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explaining multiple themes or perspectives to explore complexity or nuance; OR • Explaining multiple causes or effects, multiple similarities or differences, or multiple continuities or changes; OR • Explaining both cause and effect, both similarity and difference, or both continuity and change; OR • Explaining relevant and insightful connections within and across periods or geographical areas. These connections should clearly relate to an argument that responds to the prompt. <p>May demonstrate a complex understanding through effective use of evidence relevant to an argument that addresses the prompt. This may be done in a variety of ways, such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Effectively using seven documents to support an argument that responds to the prompt; OR • Explaining how the point of view, purpose, historical situation, and/or audience of at least four documents supports an argument that responds to the prompt; OR • Using documents and evidence beyond the documents effectively to demonstrate a sophisticated understanding of different perspectives relevant to the prompt. <p>Demonstrating a complex understanding might include any of the following, if appropriate elaboration is provided:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arguing that fascist rhetoric before taking power in 1922 is less indicative of the nature of the movement than their policies once they were in power. [Demonstrates sophisticated understanding] • Arguing that nationalist enthusiasm generated by Italian unification in the mid-1800s gradually gave way to disenchantment and anger as a result of Italy’s unstable pre-war politics. [Explains relevant and insightful connections] • Arguing that fascist propaganda depicts the movement as a revolutionary break with the immediate past, but connecting it to the accomplishments of Italy’s ancient past. [Explores complexity or nuance] • Arguing that fascism was politically revolutionary in its destruction of the existing political system but was culturally conservative. [Explains continuity and change] 	
	<p>Additional Notes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This complex understanding must be part of the argument and may be demonstrated in any part of the response. • While it is not necessary for this complex understanding to be woven throughout the response, it must be more than merely a phrase or reference. • To earn a point for complexity by using seven documents in support of an argument, there must be an attempt to use all seven documents to effectively support an argument, but the use of the documents may be unevenly or inconsistently developed, or the document use may be weaker in one or two instances. 	

Document Summaries

Document	Summary of Content	Explains the relevance of point of view [POV], purpose, situation, and/or audience by elaborating on examples such as:
1. Mussolini speech, 1919	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attacks the socialists as reactionary and conservative Announces the Fascists will fight against moral and technological backwardness 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As a frontline WWI veteran himself, Mussolini makes an emotional appeal to nationalism. [POV] Speaking to an audience that probably included leftwing sympathizers, Mussolini uses Marxist language that attacks industrialists. [situation/audience]
2. Corradini, magazine article, 1925	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Claims fascist movement is toppling liberalism and socialism Claims there is perfect unity between the Fascist Party and the state 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The declaration is made only a few years after Mussolini has taken power when he is still trying to shake things up in Italy. [situation/purpose] As a high official in the party, Corradini is eager to justify the actions of the Fascist Party and glorify the changes the fascists are bringing to Italy. [POV]
3. Newspaper cover illustration of treaty signing, 1929	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Shows Mussolini in a grand setting signing a major treaty with the papacy Shows a high church official cooperating with the head of the fascist government 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The newspaper is aimed at a mixed audience of party members and non-party members, many of whom would welcome the fascists’ improved ties to the papacy and the recognition of the importance of their religion. [audience] The newspaper cover is intended to convey a positive turning point in relations between the fascist state and a major force for conservatism in Italian society. [purpose]
4. Persico article on fascist art, 1932	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Praises the fascist government’s support for avant-garde art and architecture Claims that other countries support outdated art and architecture 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Since he is writing to fellow-artists and architects, Persico praises fascism in terms of its artistic achievements. [audience] Although the fascists have been in power for ten years, Persico seeks to emphasize that they have not become conservative or backward-looking. [situation]
5. Starace book on recreational clubs, 1933	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Describes some of the outdoor activities organized by the clubs Claims these activities improve the psychological outlook of working people 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Starace employs Romantic language about the spiritual power of nature that was traditional and mainstream by the early twentieth century. [situation] As a party member, Starace wants to promote activities that create greater contentment with life under fascism. [purpose]
6. Magazine article on Mother and Child Day, 1935	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cites Mussolini on the central role of mothers and children Claims motherhood is key to national survival 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> By employing images of struggle and slavery, the article ties the role of mothers in Italy to the increasingly aggressive expansionist foreign policy of fascist Italy at the time. [situation] The article is aimed at women, who tended to preserve religious traditions in families, so it reminds them of the link between the new celebration and Catholic holidays. [audience]
7. Pochino discussion of Fascist Women’s uniform, 1938	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Describes the mixture of new and traditional symbolism in the women’s uniform Claims the uniform expresses the traditional and forward-looking aspects of fascism 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Writing at a time when Italian society was increasingly militarized under fascist rule, Pochino extols a uniform for women. [situation] As a woman leading an organization in a male-dominated society, Pochino is possibly seeking to outdo her male counterparts in expressing loyalty to fascist ideas and to Mussolini. [purpose]

Question 2: Long Essay Question, Economic Effect of Overseas Expansion

6 points

General Scoring Notes

- Except where otherwise noted, each point of these rubrics is earned independently; for example, a student could earn a point for evidence without earning a point for thesis/claim.
- **Accuracy:** The components of these rubrics require that students demonstrate historically defensible content knowledge. Given the timed nature of the exam, essays may contain errors that do not detract from their overall quality, as long as the historical content used to advance the argument is accurate.
- **Clarity:** Exam essays should be considered first drafts and thus may contain grammatical errors. Those errors will not be counted against a student unless they obscure the successful demonstration of the content knowledge, skills, and practices described below.

Evaluate the most significant effect of overseas expansion on the European economy in the period 1450 to 1700.

Reporting Category	Scoring Criteria	
<p>Row A Thesis/Claim [0-1 points]</p>	<p>0 points Does not meet the criteria for one point.</p>	<p>1 point Responds to the prompt with a historically defensible thesis/claim that establishes a line of reasoning.</p>
Decision Rules and Scoring Notes		
<p>Responses that do not earn this point:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Are not historically defensible. • Only restate or rephrase the prompt. • Do not respond to the prompt. • Do not establish a line of reasoning. • Are overgeneralized. 		<p>Responses that earn this point:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide a historically defensible thesis or claim about the most significant effect of overseas expansion on the European economy in the period 1450 to 1700. The thesis or claim must either provide some indication of the reason for making that claim OR establish categories of the argument.
<p>Examples that do not earn this point:</p> <p>Provide a restatement of the prompt</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>“Overseas expansion significantly altered European economies.”</i> <p>Provide a historically defensible claim, but do not establish a line of reasoning</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>“Overseas expansion raised standards of living in Europe</i> <p>Are not historically defensible</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>“European overseas expansion only benefited the economies of Spain and Portugal.”</i> 		<p>Examples that earn this point:</p> <p>Establish a line of reasoning that evaluates the topic of the prompt</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>“Europe’s overseas expansion in the period 1450-1700 shifted the worldwide power balance and established European economic dominance.”</i> <p>Establish a line of reasoning that evaluates the topic of the prompt with analytic categories</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>“The most significant effect of the European overseas expansion was the shift of the European economic center from the Mediterranean to the Atlantic states, which profited from the worldwide trade, while at the same time employing innovative commercial and financial practices.”</i> <p>Establish a line of reasoning</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>“Establishment of the overseas colonies allowed Spain to become a leading European power.”</i> • <i>“The most significant effect of the expansion of European Economy from 1450 to 1700 was the increase in trade and agricultural goods produced in the Americas.”</i> [Minimally acceptable thesis/claim]
<p>Additional Notes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The thesis or claim must consist of one or more sentences located in one place, either in the introduction or the conclusion [which may not be limited to the first or last paragraphs]. • The thesis or claim must identify a relevant development[s] in the period, although it is not required to encompass the entire period. 		

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<p>Row B Contextualization</p>	<p>0 points Does not meet the criteria for one point.</p>	<p>1 point Describes a broader historical context relevant to the prompt.</p>
<p>[0-1 points]</p>	<p>Decision Rules and Scoring Notes</p>	
	<p>Responses that do not earn this point:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide an overgeneralized statement about the time period referenced in the prompt. • Provide context that is not relevant to the prompt. • Provide a passing phrase or reference. <p>Examples that do not earn this point:</p> <p>Do not provide context relevant to the topic of the prompt</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>“The Renaissance encouraged new ways of looking at the world.”</i> <p>Provide a passing phrase or reference</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>“Europeans profited from plantations.”</i> <p>Provide an overly generalized attempt at contextualization</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>“Before the discovery of America, Europeans were poor.”</i> 	<p>Responses that earn this point:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accurately describe a context relevant to economic effects of overseas expansion in the period 1450 to 1700. <p>Examples of relevant context that earn this point include the following, if appropriate elaboration is provided:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Columbian Exchange • The development of new maritime and military technologies • The European desire to discover new sources of precious metals • The rise of mercantilism • Transoceanic voyaging and navigational improvements • Rivalry between European monarchs and states • Treaty of Tordesillas • Plantation economies • Joint-stock companies [VOC] • The Commercial Revolution • The growth of centralized nation-states • Ottoman Empire and the Silk Road • Columbus and other early explorers <p>Example of acceptable contextualization:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>“The Columbian Exchange created new economic opportunities for Europeans.”</i> • <i>“European states sought direct access to gold, spices, and luxury goods to establish new sources of wealth and power.”</i> • <i>“Europeans improved their ships, enabling them to make longer voyages.”</i> [Minimally acceptable contextualization]
	<p>Additional Notes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The response must describe broader historical events, developments, or processes that occur before, during, or continue after the time frame of the question that are relevant to the topic of the prompt. • To earn this point, the context provided must be more than a phrase or reference. 	

Reporting Category	Scoring Criteria		
<p>Row C Evidence [0-2 points]</p>	<p>0 points Does not meet the criteria for one point.</p>	<p>1 point Provides specific examples of at least two pieces of evidence relevant to the topic of the prompt.</p>	<p>2 points Supports an argument in response to the prompt using at least two pieces of specific and relevant evidence.</p>
Decision Rules and Scoring Notes			
<p>Responses that do not earn points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify a single piece of evidence. Provide evidence that is not relevant to the topic of the prompt. Provide evidence that is outside the time period or region specified in the prompt. Repeat information that is specified in the prompt. <p>Examples that do not earn points:</p> <p>Provide evidence that is outside the time period or region</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>“Exports of cotton from the Americas facilitated the industrialization of Great Britain.”</i> <p>Provide evidence that is not relevant to the topic of prompt</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>“European powers used religion as a justification for subjugation of indigenous populations.”</i> 	<p>Responses that earn 1 point:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify at least two specific historical examples relevant to economic effects of overseas expansion in the period 1450 to 1700. <p>Examples of evidence that are specific and relevant include the following [two examples required]:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Spanish colonies in most of South America, Central America, and the Caribbean [Cuba, Hispaniola, Trinidad] The African slave trade generated major profits for Europeans The establishment of a plantation economy in the Americas Mentions of specific European colonies and trading posts Exports of food and crops from the Americas, such as potatoes, sugar, coffee, corn, turkeys, squash Exports of other commodities from the Americas, such as tobacco, silver, gold, rum, furs Spice and luxury goods trade in Asia, The Dutch East India Company, and the British East India Company The Commercial Revolution, the emergence of the banking center in the Netherlands Financial innovations, such as double-entry bookkeeping Inflation caused by the influx of Spanish silver, high demand and low supply of goods The development of mercantilist theory Economic competition caused increased warfare between European powers Piracy and privateering <p>Example of a statement that earns one point for evidence:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>“Spain exported gold and silver from the Americas and participated in the Atlantic slave trade from the beginning of the colonial expansion.”</i> 	<p>Responses that earn 2 points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use at least two specific historical examples to support an argument regarding economic effects of overseas expansion in the period 1450 to 1700. <p>Examples that successfully support an argument with evidence:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>“Despite the power that the Spanish crown achieved due to its colonial dominance in the Americas, the Spanish economy was damaged by fighting wars and high inflation.”</i> [Uses evidence to support an argument about the economic benefits and costs of overseas expansion] <i>“Overseas expansion and worldwide trade, including the Atlantic slave trade, caused an increase in population and the standards of living in Europe, which in turn increased the demand for luxury goods from Asia.”</i> [Uses evidence to support an argument about the economic consequences of overseas expansion] <i>“As Europeans were generating major profits from the overseas colonies, they established new ways of preserving wealth, prompting the Commercial Revolution and innovations in banking. The Dutch became leaders in the banking industry.”</i> [Uses evidence to support an argument about changes in economic institutions] 	

Additional Notes:

- Typically, statements credited as evidence will be more specific than statements credited as contextualization.
- If a response has a multipart argument, then it can meet the threshold of two pieces of evidence by giving one example for one part of the argument and another example for a different part of the argument, but the total number of examples must still be at least two.

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<p>Row D Analysis and Reasoning [0-2 points]</p>	<p>0 points Does not meet the criteria for one point.</p>	<p>1 point Uses historical reasoning [e.g., comparison, causation, continuity, and change] to frame or structure an argument that addresses the prompt.</p>	<p>2 points Demonstrates a complex understanding of the historical development that is the focus of the prompt through sophisticated argumentation and/or effective use of evidence.</p>			
Decision Rules and Scoring Notes						
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The reasoning might be uneven or imbalanced, or the evidence may be overly general or lacking specificity. <p>Using a historical reasoning process to frame or structure an argument could include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Structuring an argument thematically to highlight differences in a thematic category, such as trade and banking. • Arranging an argument to recount developments over the course of the period showing change over time. • Structuring an argument geographically to highlight the differences between the economic effects of the overseas expansion on different European states. </td> <td style="width: 33%; vertical-align: top; padding: 5px;"> <p>Responses that earn 2 points:</p> <p>May demonstrate a complex understanding through sophisticated argumentation that is relevant to the prompt. This may be done in a variety of ways, such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explaining multiple themes or perspectives to explore complexity or nuance; OR • Explaining multiple causes or effects, multiple similarities or differences, or multiple continuities or changes; OR • Explaining both cause and effect, both similarity and difference, or both continuity and change; OR • Explaining relevant and insightful connections within and across periods or geographical areas. These connections should clearly relate to an argument that responds to the prompt. <p>May demonstrate a complex understanding through effective use of evidence relevant to an argument that addresses the prompt. This may be done in a variety of ways that might include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explaining how multiple pieces of specific and relevant evidence [at least four] support a nuanced or complex argument that responds to the prompt; OR • Using evidence effectively to demonstrate a sophisticated understanding of different perspectives relevant to the prompt. <p>Demonstrating a complex understanding might include any of the following, if appropriate elaboration is provided:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Considering multiple possible most significant effects while establishing one as clearly more significant than others explicitly discussed. [Using evidence effectively to demonstrate a sophisticated understanding of different perspectives relevant to the prompt] • Considering whether there is, in fact, a single most significant effect of overseas expansion on the European economy by acknowledging more than one effect. [Explaining multiple effects to explore complexity or nuance] • Explaining how Europe’s economic relationships with the United States and formerly colonized areas both changed and remained the same in the wake of war and decolonization. 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The reasoning might be uneven or imbalanced, or the evidence may be overly general or lacking specificity. <p>Using a historical reasoning process to frame or structure an argument could include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Structuring an argument thematically to highlight differences in a thematic category, such as trade and banking. • Arranging an argument to recount developments over the course of the period showing change over time. • Structuring an argument geographically to highlight the differences between the economic effects of the overseas expansion on different European states. 	<p>Responses that earn 2 points:</p> <p>May demonstrate a complex understanding through sophisticated argumentation that is relevant to the prompt. 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This may be done in a variety of ways that might include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explaining how multiple pieces of specific and relevant evidence [at least four] support a nuanced or complex argument that responds to the prompt; OR • Using evidence effectively to demonstrate a sophisticated understanding of different perspectives relevant to the prompt. <p>Demonstrating a complex understanding might include any of the following, if appropriate elaboration is provided:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Considering multiple possible most significant effects while establishing one as clearly more significant than others explicitly discussed. [Using evidence effectively to demonstrate a sophisticated understanding of different perspectives relevant to the prompt] • Considering whether there is, in fact, a single most significant effect of overseas expansion on the European economy by acknowledging more than one effect. [Explaining multiple effects to explore complexity or nuance] • Explaining how Europe’s economic relationships with the United States and formerly colonized areas both changed and remained the same in the wake of war and decolonization. [Explaining both continuity and change]
<p>Responses that do not earn points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • May include evidence but offer no reasoning to connect the evidence to an argument. • May assert the use of historical reasoning but does not use it to frame or structure an argument. <p>Examples that do not earn points:</p> <p>Provide evidence but offer no reasoning to connect the evidence to an argument</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>“Pirates threatened European economies.”</i> • <i>“Portugal colonized Brazil.”</i> 	<p>Responses that earn 1 point:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must demonstrate the use of historical reasoning to frame or structure an argument about economic effects of overseas expansion in the period 1450 to 1700. The reasoning might be uneven or imbalanced, or the evidence may be overly general or lacking specificity. <p>Using a historical reasoning process to frame or structure an argument could include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Structuring an argument thematically to highlight differences in a thematic category, such as trade and banking. • Arranging an argument to recount developments over the course of the period showing change over time. • Structuring an argument geographically to highlight the differences between the economic effects of the overseas expansion on different European states. 	<p>Responses that earn 2 points:</p> <p>May demonstrate a complex understanding through sophisticated argumentation that is relevant to the prompt. This may be done in a variety of ways, such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explaining multiple themes or perspectives to explore complexity or nuance; OR • Explaining multiple causes or effects, multiple similarities or differences, or multiple continuities or changes; OR • Explaining both cause and effect, both similarity and difference, or both continuity and change; OR • Explaining relevant and insightful connections within and across periods or geographical areas. These connections should clearly relate to an argument that responds to the prompt. <p>May demonstrate a complex understanding through effective use of evidence relevant to an argument that addresses the prompt. This may be done in a variety of ways that might include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explaining how multiple pieces of specific and relevant evidence [at least four] support a nuanced or complex argument that responds to the prompt; OR • Using evidence effectively to demonstrate a sophisticated understanding of different perspectives relevant to the prompt. <p>Demonstrating a complex understanding might include any of the following, if appropriate elaboration is provided:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Considering multiple possible most significant effects while establishing one as clearly more significant than others explicitly discussed. [Using evidence effectively to demonstrate a sophisticated understanding of different perspectives relevant to the prompt] • Considering whether there is, in fact, a single most significant effect of overseas expansion on the European economy by acknowledging more than one effect. [Explaining multiple effects to explore complexity or nuance] • Explaining how Europe’s economic relationships with the United States and formerly colonized areas both changed and remained the same in the wake of war and decolonization. [Explaining both continuity and change] 				

	<p>Example of acceptable use of historical reasoning:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>“While Spain and Portugal directly sponsored overseas expansion, France was mostly involved in the trade through privateering.”</i> [Indicates difference among European states. This statement would need to be followed up with at least a minimal elaboration of this reasoning.] • <i>“Spain was a dominant power in the earlier period of the overseas expansion in part because of its access to precious metals, but later lost its dominance to Britain.”</i> [Indicates change over time. This statement would need to be followed up with at least a minimal elaboration of this reasoning.] • <i>“European powers became dominant worldwide thanks to overseas colonies, which allowed them to expand their global commercial networks and prompted them to develop innovative banking practices.”</i> [Indicates thematic categories and change over time. This statement would need to be followed up with at least a minimal elaboration of this reasoning.] 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explaining reasons for the different regional levels of economic effects of the overseas expansion across various European states. [Explaining insightful connections across geographic areas]
<p>Additional Notes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To earn the first point for analysis and reasoning, the response must use historical reasoning to structure a response to the prompt, although the reasoning might be uneven or imbalanced, or the evidence may be overly general or lacking in specificity. • This complex understanding must be part of the argument and may be demonstrated in any part of the response. • While it is not necessary for this complex understanding to be woven throughout the response, it must be more than merely a phrase or reference. 		

Question 3: Long Essay Question, Effect of Centralization of State Power

6 points

General Scoring Notes

- Except where otherwise noted, each point of these rubrics is earned independently; for example, a student could earn a point for evidence without earning a point for thesis/claim.
- **Accuracy:** The components of these rubrics require that students demonstrate historically defensible content knowledge. Given the timed nature of the exam, essays may contain errors that do not detract from their overall quality, as long as the historical content used to advance the argument is accurate.
- **Clarity:** Exam essays should be considered first drafts and thus may contain grammatical errors. Those errors will not be counted against a student unless they obscure the successful demonstration of the content knowledge, skills, and practices described below.

Evaluate the most significant effect of centralization of state power in the period 1650 to 1815.

Reporting Category	Scoring Criteria	
<p>Row A Thesis/Claim [0-1 points]</p>	<p>0 points Does not meet the criteria for one point.</p>	<p>1 point Responds to the prompt with a historically defensible thesis/claim that establishes a line of reasoning.</p>
Decision Rules and Scoring Notes		
<p>Responses that do not earn this point:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Are not historically defensible. • Only restate or rephrase the prompt. • Do not respond to the prompt. • Do not establish a line of reasoning. • Are overgeneralized. 		<p>Responses that earn this point:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide a historically defensible thesis or claim about the most significant effect of centralization of state power in the period 1650 to 1815. The thesis or claim must either provide some indication of the reason for making that claim OR establish categories of the argument.
<p>Examples that do not earn this point:</p> <p>Provide a restatement of the prompt</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>“The trend of centralization of state power had overarching effects on all Europe.”</i> <p>Provide a historically defensible claim, but do not establish a line of reasoning</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>“The most significant effect of the centralization of state power was the creation of absolutism in monarchies.”</i> • <i>“Rulers wanted to bring all the people of their lands under centralized rule.”</i> <p>Are not historically defensible</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>“By the end of the 1700s only Prussia and Sweden appeared to have a strong state.”</i> 		<p>Examples that earn this point:</p> <p>Establish a line of reasoning that evaluates the topic of the prompt</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>“The most significant effect of the centralization of state power was the emergence of the Enlightenment that occurred as a reaction to the limitations on individual rights and unequal treatment among people under absolutism.”</i> • <i>“The most significant effects of centralization of state power were greater control over the nobility and the establishment of a strong bureaucracy.”</i> <p>Establish a line of reasoning that evaluates the topic of the prompt with analytic categories</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>“The most significant effect of centralization of state power throughout Europe was the ability of the kings and queens to create state-controlled modernized armies without being dependent on the nobles, which allowed them to expand their territories by taking possessions of smaller princedoms and weaker neighbors.”</i> <p>Establish a line of reasoning</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>“The most significant effect of the centralization of state power from 1650 to 1815 was the creation and spread of nationalism.”</i> • <i>“The effects of the centralization of power resulted in forms of government that were more free.”</i> [Minimally acceptable thesis/claim]
<p>Additional Notes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The thesis or claim must consist of one or more sentences located in one place, either in the introduction or the conclusion [which may not be limited to the first or last paragraphs]. • The thesis or claim must identify a relevant development[s] in the period, although it is not required to encompass the entire period. 		

Reporting Category	Scoring Criteria	
<p>Row B Contextualization</p>	<p>0 points Does not meet the criteria for one point.</p>	<p>1 point Describes a broader historical context relevant to the prompt.</p>
<p>[0-1 points]</p>	<p>Decision Rules and Scoring Notes</p>	
	<p>Responses that do not earn this point:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide an overgeneralized statement about the time period referenced in the prompt. • Provide context that is not relevant to the prompt. • Provide a passing phrase or reference. <p>Examples that do not earn this point:</p> <p>Do not provide context relevant to the topic of the prompt</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>“Land-based empires employed strong bureaucracy to centralize their states.”</i> <p>Provide a passing phrase or reference</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>“Louis XIV challenged the nobility.”</i> 	<p>Responses that earn this point:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accurately describe a context relevant to the effects of centralization of state power in the period 1650 to 1815. <p>Examples of relevant context that earn this point include the following, if appropriate elaboration is provided:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The end of the Tudor Dynasty and the coming of the Stewarts • Fragmentation of the Holy Roman Empire • The rise of absolutism in Europe • Alternatives to absolutist political systems, including constitutionalism • Power struggles between monarchs and nobles • Competition between minority and dominant national groups • Competition between European states for territories and resources • The impact of the Thirty Years’ War on relations between church and state • The Peace of Westphalia in 1648 gave rise to the idea of a sovereign state • The creation of a strong central state as a response to the French Wars of Religion • The continued decline of the Catholic Church’s power • The decline of the Ottoman Empire and competition for those lands • The ability of rulers to set the religion of their territory • Monarchs needed to centralize to levy taxes to pay for things like overseas expansion and expanded militaries <p>Example of acceptable contextualization:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>“The Peace of Westphalia gave rise to the ideas of political sovereignty within each state.”</i> • <i>“The French Wars of Religion led some political thinkers to believe that the king should have absolute power to prevent this from happening again.”</i> • <i>“Many rulers in Europe created more powerful states in attempt to compete with other monarchs.”</i> [Minimally acceptable contextualization]
	<p>Additional Notes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The response must describe broader historical events, developments, or processes that occur before, during, or continue after the time frame of the question that are relevant to the topic of the prompt. • To earn this point, the context provided must be more than a phrase or reference. 	

Reporting Category	Scoring Criteria		
<p>Row C Evidence [0-2 points]</p>	<p>0 points Does not meet the criteria for one point.</p>	<p>1 point Provides specific examples of at least two pieces of evidence relevant to the topic of the prompt.</p>	<p>2 points Supports an argument in response to the prompt using at least two pieces of specific and relevant evidence.</p>
Decision Rules and Scoring Notes			
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Additional Notes:

- Typically, statements credited as evidence will be more specific than statements credited as contextualization.
- If a response has a multipart argument, then it can meet the threshold of two pieces of evidence by giving one example for one part of the argument and another example for a different part of the argument, but the total number of examples must still be at least two.

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<p>Row D Analysis and Reasoning [0-2 points]</p>	<p>0 points Does not meet the criteria for one point.</p>	<p>1 point Uses historical reasoning [e.g., comparison, causation, continuity, and change] to frame or structure an argument that addresses the prompt.</p>	<p>2 points Demonstrates a complex understanding of the historical development that is the focus of the prompt through sophisticated argumentation and/or effective use of evidence.</p>
Decision Rules and Scoring Notes			
	<p>Responses that do not earn points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> May include evidence but offer no reasoning to connect the evidence to an argument. May assert the use of historical reasoning but does not use it to frame or structure an argument. <p>Examples that do not earn points:</p> <p>Provide evidence but offer no reasoning to connect the evidence to an argument</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>“Catherine the Great of Russia was a despot.”</i> <i>“The Holy Roman Empire was weak, but Prussia was strong.”</i> 	<p>Responses that earn 1 point:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Must demonstrate the use of historical reasoning to frame or structure an argument about the effects of centralization of state power in the period 1650 to 1815. The reasoning might be uneven or imbalanced, or the evidence may be overly general or lacking specificity. <p>Using a historical reasoning process to frame or structure an argument could include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Using comparative reasoning to explain differing effects of state centralization in different countries. Structuring an argument thematically to highlight differences in a thematic category, such as military, culture, and society. Arranging an argument to recount developments over the course of the period showing change over time. <p>Example of acceptable use of historical reasoning:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>“France originally achieved centralization of state power during the absolutist period, but it emerged</i> 	<p>Responses that earn 2 points:</p> <p>May demonstrate a complex understanding through sophisticated argumentation that is relevant to the prompt. This may be done in a variety of ways, such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Explaining multiple themes or perspectives to explore complexity or nuance; OR Explaining multiple causes or effects, multiple similarities or differences, or multiple continuities or changes; OR Explaining both cause and effect, both similarity and difference, or both continuity and change; OR Explaining relevant and insightful connections within and across periods or geographical areas. These connections should clearly relate to an argument that responds to the prompt. <p>May demonstrate a complex understanding through effective use of evidence relevant to an argument that addresses the prompt. This may be done in a variety of ways that might include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Explaining how multiple pieces of specific and relevant evidence [at least four] support a nuanced or complex argument that responds to the prompt; OR Using evidence effectively to demonstrate a sophisticated understanding of different perspectives relevant to the prompt. <p>Demonstrating a complex understanding might include any of the following, if appropriate elaboration is provided:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Explaining differences between the causes and effects of centralization of state power based on the changes in the political structures of various states. [Provides insightful connections within and across periods or geographical regions] Explaining how differences in political culture led to different effects in different countries [e.g., France vs. England]. [Explaining multiple effects] Considering similarities between certain factors affecting the centralization of state power, such as a reaction to the nobility’s resistance in various states. [Using evidence effectively to demonstrate a sophisticated understanding]

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		<p><i>as a nation in the anti-monarchical Revolution.”</i> [Indicates change over time to explore differing effects of the centralization of state power]</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Acknowledging the variety of external factors, such as military competition with neighboring nations, that affected development of states. [Examining multiple causes, themes, or perspectives]
<p>Additional Notes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To earn the first point for analysis and reasoning, the response must use historical reasoning to structure a response to the prompt, although the reasoning might be uneven or imbalanced, or the evidence may be overly general or lacking in specificity. • This complex understanding must be part of the argument and may be demonstrated in any part of the response. • While it is not necessary for this complex understanding to be woven throughout the response, it must be more than merely a phrase or reference. 			

Question 4: Long Essay Question, Effect of the Growth of Representative Democracy

6 points

General Scoring Notes

- Except where otherwise noted, each point of these rubrics is earned independently; for example, a student could earn a point for evidence without earning a point for thesis/claim.
- **Accuracy:** The components of these rubrics require that students demonstrate historically defensible content knowledge. Given the timed nature of the exam, essays may contain errors that do not detract from their overall quality, as long as the historical content used to advance the argument is accurate.
- **Clarity:** Exam essays should be considered first drafts and thus may contain grammatical errors. Those errors will not be counted against a student unless they obscure the successful demonstration of the content knowledge, skills, and practices described below.

Evaluate the most significant effect of the spread of democratic ideas on European politics in the 1800s.

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<p>Row A Thesis/Claim [0-1 points]</p>	<p>0 points Does not meet the criteria for one point.</p>	<p>1 point Responds to the prompt with a historically defensible thesis/claim that establishes a line of reasoning.</p>
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<p>Responses that do not earn this point:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Are not historically defensible. • Only restate or rephrase the prompt. • Do not respond to the prompt. • Do not establish a line of reasoning. • Are overgeneralized. 		<p>Responses that earn this point:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide a historically defensible thesis or claim about the most significant political effect of the spread of democratic ideas in Europe in the 1800s. The thesis or claim must either provide some indication of the reason for making that claim OR establish categories of the argument.
<p>Examples that do not earn this point:</p> <p>Provide a restatement of the prompt</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>“Democratic ideas of representation spread around Europe in the 1800s.”</i> <p>Provide a historically defensible claim, but do not establish a line of reasoning</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>“Democratic ideas caused conservative pushback.”</i> <p>Are not historically defensible</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>“The main achievement of the democratic movements in 1800s was full female suffrage throughout the continent.”</i> 		<p>Examples that earn this point:</p> <p>Establish a line of reasoning that evaluates the topic of the prompt</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>“The most significant effect of the spread of democratic ideas in the 1800s was to promote political revolution and the extension of civil liberties for individuals.”</i> • <i>“Although the spread of democratic ideas yielded some democratic reforms, their greatest initial effect on politics was to promote a conservative revival at both the state and international levels.”</i> <p>Establish a line of reasoning that evaluates the topic of the prompt with analytic categories</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>“The spread of democratic ideas in the 1800s led the way to the adoption of many policies and institutions that paved the way for a modern European society, including public education, political parties and trade unions, extension of the universal vote, and welfare.”</i> <p>Establish a line of reasoning</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>“The spread of democratic ideas in the 1800s led to the abolition of slavery and serfdom.”</i> [Minimally acceptable thesis/claim]
<p>Additional Notes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The thesis or claim must consist of one or more sentences located in one place, either in the introduction or the conclusion [which may not be limited to the first or last paragraphs]. • The thesis or claim must identify a relevant development[s] in the period, although it is not required to encompass the entire period. 		

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<p>Row B Contextualization</p>	<p>0 points Does not meet the criteria for one point.</p>	<p>1 point Describes a broader historical context relevant to the prompt.</p>
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	<p>Responses that do not earn this point:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide an overgeneralized statement about the time period referenced in the prompt. • Provide context that is not relevant to the prompt. • Provide a passing phrase or reference. <p>Examples that do not earn this point:</p> <p>Do not provide context relevant to the topic of the prompt</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>“Radical ideas developed due to rising nationalism.”</i> <p>Provide a passing phrase or reference</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>“Democracy is connected to industrialization .”</i> 	<p>Responses that earn this point:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accurately describe a context relevant to the spread of democratic ideas in Europe in the 1800s. <p>Examples of relevant context that earn this point include the following, if appropriate elaboration is provided:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Enlightenment • The Scientific Revolution • Constitutionalism and parliamentarism • The French and/or Haitian Revolutions • The growth of the media [journalism] and public venues • Industrial capitalism • The development of new ideologies as a response to Industrialization • The development of self-conscious classes • Romantic nationalism and idea of the nation-state • The 1689 Bill of Rights in England • The Napoleonic wars • Infrastructural improvements <p>Example of acceptable contextualization:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>“In the 1800s, rapidly industrializing Great Britain continued to develop democratic ideas first established by the Bill of Rights.”</i> • <i>“Napoleon was not a democrat, but his wars spread the ideas of the French Revolution.”</i> • <i>“At the start of the 19th century, Europeans were inspired by the Enlightenment to conduct reforms.”</i> [Minimally acceptable contextualization]
	<p>Additional Notes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The response must describe broader historical events, developments, or processes that occur before, during, or continue after the time frame of the question that are relevant to the topic of the prompt. • To earn this point, the context provided must be more than a phrase or reference. 	

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<p>Row C Evidence [0-2 points]</p>	<p>0 points Does not meet the criteria for one point.</p>	<p>1 point Provides specific examples of at least two pieces of evidence relevant to the topic of the prompt.</p>	<p>2 points Supports an argument in response to the prompt using at least two pieces of specific and relevant evidence.</p>						
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		<p><i>republic and monarchy kept changing each other since the Revolution of 1789, after a series of hurdles the long-lasting Third Republic was finally established in 1870.</i> [Indicates change over time to explore the changing nature of democracy in France]</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Evaluating how the effects of nationalism differed or were similar to the effects of democratic ideas. [Examining multiple themes or perspectives]
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