

DBQ Scoring Standards

8 - 9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presented a clear, well-developed thesis • Supported their thesis with substantial, relevant information • Brought in significant outside information • Understood the complexity of the question(s); dealt with question(s) in depth, although treatment may have been uneven • Offered an effective analysis • Made only minor errors that did not detract from the overall knowledgeability of the essay
5 - 7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offered a clear thesis with limited development • Supported their thesis with some factual information; used documents • Brought in some outside information in support of answer • Showed limited or lack of understanding of complexity; may have dealt with question(s) in some depth • Provided limited analysis, mostly described • May have had error that did not detract from the overall essay/argument
2 - 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lacked a thesis, or presented a thesis that was confused or undeveloped • Restated the documents with little interpretation, or demonstrated minimal use of documents • Provided little outside information • Ignored complexity; may have dealt with question(s) in a superficial way • Offered no analysis • May have had major errors
1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provided an incompetent, inappropriate response • May have simply paraphrased or restated the question • Showed little understanding of the question

9 = 100/50 = 100%

8 = 96/48 = 96%

7 = 92/46 = 92%

6 = 88/44 = 88%

5 = 84/42 = 84%

4 = 80/40 = 80%

3 = 76/38 = 76%

2 = 72/36 = 72%

1 = 68/34 = 68%

0 = 64/32 = 64%