



International History Olympiad – Written Exam Grading Rubric

6 points possible per question

Thesis (1 point) - has a historically defensible thesis that addresses each part of the prompt or question

Evidence (2 points) - has relevant evidence from the time period that meaningfully addresses the prompt or question (1 point awarded for 3-5 pieces of evidence, 2 points awarded for 6 or more pieces of evidence)

Analysis (1 point) - uses relevant evidence to support the thesis or claim throughout the essay

Structure and Organization (1 point) - has a well-defined structure and organization that clearly supports the thesis

Historical Thought (1 point) - displays a clear understanding of the historical situation or time period of the prompt, the context in which the historical events occurred, or the results of the prompt or period on future events

International History Olympiad – Historiography Grading Rubric

7 points possible per question

Thesis (1 point) - has a historically defensible thesis that addresses each part of the prompt or question

Evidence (1 point) - has 3 or more pieces of relevant outside evidence from the time period that meaningfully addresses the prompt or question

Evidence Analysis (1 point) - uses relevant evidence to support the thesis or claim throughout the essay

Document Use (1 point) - refers to a majority of the documents to meaningfully address the prompt or question

Document Analysis (1 point) - uses a majority of the documents to support the thesis or claim

Structure and Organization (1 point) - has a well-defined structure and organization that clearly supports the thesis

Historical Thought (1 point) - displays a clear understanding of the historical situation or time period of the prompt and documents, the context in which the historical events occurred, or the results of the prompt or period on future events