

Rubric Detail

A rubric lists grading criteria that instructors use to evaluate student work. Your instructor linked a rubric to this item and made it available to you. Select **Grid View** or **List View** to change the rubric's layout.

Name: **Historical Argument Essay Rubric**

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	Mastered	Proficient	Competent	Room for growth
Defensible thesis	20 (20.00%) The thesis makes a solid defensible claim or argument on a historical issue.	15 (15.00%) The thesis is identifiable, but does not provide an argument on the matter; rather it just states facts.	10 (10.00%) The thesis is identifiable, but lacks an argument and/or historical basis in fact	5 (5.00%) The thesis nonexistent or unidentifiable
Use of evidence	20 (20.00%) The essay includes 3-5 citations/references that are relevant and support the argument	15 (15.00%) The essay includes 3-5 citations/references but all are not relevant to argument	10 (10.00%) The essay includes fewer than 3 sources for evidence but it attempts to support the argument.	5 (5.00%) The thesis nonexistent or unidentifiable
Organization	20 (20.00%) The essay is well organized and easy to follow	15 (15.00%) The essay is well organized and easy to follow	10 (10.00%) The essay is well organized and easy to follow	5 (5.00%) The essay is not well organized and is difficult to follow

	structured and follows a coherent argument that flows throughout the essay and supports the arguments. Mastered	structured but does not effectively support the argument. Proficient	The essay attempts to follow a coherent format, but is unsuccessful at supporting the argument. Competent	disorganized and does not follow a coherent argument Room for growth
Works cited/bibliography	20 (20.00%) All sources are accurately cited according to MLA or APA style formatting, and a proper bibliography is included	15 (15.00%) Sources and bibliography mostly follow MLA or APA style formatting, but there are a few errors	10 (10.00%) Sources are not properly cited OR a bibliography is not included	5 (5.00%) Sources are not properly cited and no bibliography is included
Grammar / mechanics	20 (20.00%) No grammatical, spelling or punctuation errors. A few grammatical spelling, or punctuation errors.	15 (15.00%) Almost no grammatical, spelling or punctuation errors	10 (10.00%) Several grammatical, spelling, or punctuation errors	5 (5.00%) The paper full of grammatic spelling, or punctuatic errors.

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