

DBQ Rewrite Tasks

PROMPT: Compare and contrast the attitudes of Christianity and Islam toward merchants and trade from the religions’ origins until about 1500. Are there indications of change over time in either case, or both?

T - Thesis	C - Context	E - Evidence	E2 – All Evidence	OE – Outside Evidence
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Thesis <u>must</u> respond to the prompt - Thesis <u>needs</u> to have a roadmap - Thesis should be complex - Thesis should be in the 1st paragraph 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Context <u>needs</u> to be related to the prompt - Context should be the introduction to your essay response 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Use of document evidence <u>needs</u> to support your arguments - Should be clear that you understand the document 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - All documents except one <u>must</u> be used 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Historical evidence outside of what is provided in the documents <u>must</u> be included in at least one of your arguments

Suggestions:

- Don’t waste time writing entire sentence(s) of quotes. Simply refer to the document (“Doc 1 supports this idea...”)
- Use SPICE and SPICE questions to organize your ideas
- Create an image map or a quick outline; organize arguments and documents
- Don’t forget to explain the documents POV or audience. Why does the perspective make your argument more/less significant?
- Decide early on which documents you may not need to use. Use all if you can.

Task 1 – Analyze Significance and POV

Document	What is the significance of the doc? How does this doc answer the prompt or connect with others?	<u>Analyze ONE</u> of the following and <u>explain importance</u>: <i>Historical Context, Audience, Point of View, Purpose</i>
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Task 2 – Outside Evidence: Provide a specific and relevant piece of historical information that connects to the prompt. It CANNOT be mentioned in the documents

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Task 3 – Arguments: Create 2-3 main arguments that you can use to link and group the documents together

	Argument (in complete sentences)	Linked Docs
<p>Argument 1 What is the main idea? How does it answer the prompt?</p>		
<p>Argument 2 What is the main idea? How does it answer the prompt?</p>		
<p>Argument 3 What is the main idea? How does it answer the prompt?</p>		

Task 4 – Thesis: Rewrite your thesis. Your thesis needs to respond to the prompt using the key words included in it. I should see the arguments referenced in your thesis

Task 5 – Contextualization: Provide a big picture introduction to the context of the prompt. You can discuss what is happening in the background or the current period, but it must be related to religion and its attitude towards trade and merchants. This needs to be in multiple sentences, and reference historical content. Remember: why is what you are writing about here directly relevant to the prompt? You MUST make this connection.