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DBQ Scoring Guide

	AP EXAM POINTS		IN CLASS ESSAY POSSIBLE POINTS
	1 point	2 points	
Thesis and Argument Development (Th) 2 Points	Presents a thesis that makes a historically defensible claim and responds to all parts of the question. The thesis must consist of one or more sentences located in one place (in the introduction)	Everything to the left and develops and supports a cohesive argument that recognizes and accounts for historically complexity by explicitly illustrating relationships among historical evidence such as contradiction, corroboration, and/or qualification.	10 points
Document Analysis (DA) 2 points	Utilizes the content of at least six of the documents to support the stated thesis or a relevant document	Additionally explains the significance of the author's point of view, author's purpose, historical context, and/or audience for at least four documents	10 points
Using Evidence Beyond the Documents (E) 2 Points	Situates the argument by explaining the broader historical events, developments, or processes immediately relevant to the question.	Provides outside information not found in the documents to support argument	10 points
Synthesis (S) 1 point	Extends argument by making connection to different historical period, situation, era or geographic area; or to a course theme that is not the focus of history.		5 points

*Note – Essay is worth 50 points.