# History Essay Rubric

## EXPLANATION
This essay accurately explains historical cause and effect; change over time; why and how things happened the way they did.

| Total Score: __________ / 100 |

## EXAMPLES/DETAILS
The essay cites accurate examples to support general assertions from the required reading and classroom material.

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- **Excellent:** Every major point is supported by at least one example. Examples from both readings and lecture. Superb accuracy.
- **Good:** Most but not all of the major points are backed by at least one example. Examples from additional sources may have been neglected. Some good details included here. One or two minor inaccuracies.
- **Satisfactory:** Some of the major points are supported by an example. Examples from a single source, leaving out some pertinent ones from other material. A few more names and dates, other details, would help. One or two minor inaccuracies.
- **Poor:** Few examples used in this essay, one or two isn't enough. Essay suffers from over-generalization. Major or numerous historical inaccuracies.
- **Failure:** Very few or non-existent specific examples. Essay does not reflect knowledge of course material. Essay does not make sense historically.

- **Explanations:**
  - Leaves no questions unanswered.
  - Very thorough.
  - Very accurate.
  - A few questions remain. Quite thorough. Quite accurate, maybe one minor inaccuracy.
  - Some questions persist. Fairly thorough. Fairly accurate, some problems here.
  - Too many questions remain. Holes and gaps. Some significant inaccuracies.
  - This essay doesn't explain history; it merely restates it. Very inaccurate.