

Generic Core-Scoring Guide for AP European History Document- Based Question
(scoring scale 0-9)

Basic Core:	Points:
1. Has an acceptable thesis that directly addresses the question.	1
2. Uses at least a majority of documents.	1
3. Addresses all parts of the question.	1
4. Demonstrates understanding of the documents by using them to support an argument. (May misinterpret no more than one document.)	1
5. Analyzes bias or point of view in at least three documents.	1
6. Analyzes documents by organizing them in at least three groups.	1
Subtotal:	6

The student will earn one point for successfully completing each of the above tasks. The student **MUST** earn all six points in order to advance to the Expanded Core.

Expanded Core:	Points:
<p>Student may earn 1, 2 or 3 points for successfully demonstrating any, all or some of the following points.</p>	<p>0-3</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> has a clear, analytical and comprehensive thesis uses all or almost all documents addresses all parts of the question thoroughly uses documents persuasively as evidence shows understanding of nuances in the documents analyzes bias or point of view in at least four documents cited in the essay analyzes the documents in additional ways-- additional groupings or other. brings in relevant "outside" historical content 	

Total Points Possible :
9

Points earned in the expanded core, plus points earned in the basic score will equal the total score of the student.