

Name: _____ Chapter: _____

AP European History FRQ Essay Rubric

Question: _____

8-9

- **THESIS:** Clear, well-developed, answers the prompt and guides the essay throughout
- **UNDERSTANDING:** Demonstrates thorough understanding of complexity of topic
- **EVIDENCE:** Supports thesis with frequent, specific, and relevant evidence/examples/proof
- **ANALYSIS:** Effectively analyzes, interprets, articulates impact of evidence/examples/proof
- **ERRORS:** May contain insignificant and infrequent errors that do not hinder arguments OR no errors entirely
- **ORGANIZATION:** Essay is well-organized (contains introduction, topic sentences, unity of paragraphs, conclusion)

5-7

- **THESIS:** Has a thesis (perhaps superficial/simplistic) which addresses prompt
- **UNDERSTANDING:** Demonstrates general understanding of the topic
- **EVIDENCE:** Supports thesis with evidence/examples/proof, sometimes general or narrative in description
- **ANALYSIS:** Analyzes, interprets, articulates impact of evidence/examples/proof, often general
- **ERRORS:** May contain minor errors that do not interfere with comprehension
- **ORGANIZATION:** Essay contains most elements of organization

2-4

- **THESIS:** Limited, confused, or poorly developed thesis and may be weakly organized
- **UNDERSTANDING:** Demonstrates simplistic understanding of the topic
- **EVIDENCE:** Contains limited evidence/examples/proof which is usually general
- **ANALYSIS:** Contains limited or simple analysis, interpretation, impact of evidence/examples/proof
- **ERRORS:** May contain historical errors
- **ORGANIZATION:** Essay contains limited elements of organization

0-1

- **THESIS:** No thesis or a thesis that does not address the topic
- **UNDERSTANDING:** Demonstrates little or no understanding of the topic
- **EVIDENCE:** Contains inappropriate/inaccurate or no evidence/examples/proof
- **ANALYSIS:** Contains no analysis of evidence/examples/proof, or is inappropriate/inaccurate
- **ERRORS:** May contain numerous errors; both major and minor
- **ORGANIZATION:** Essay contains unclear organization and structure

Grade Equivalents:

9.....100%.....50 points	4.....72%.....36 points
8.....92%.....46 points	3.....66%.....33 points
7.....86%.....43 points	2.....62%.....31 points
6.....82%.....41 points	1.....56%.....28 points
5.....76%.....38 points	0.....0%.....0 points

/9 = /50