

AP[®] WORLD HISTORY 2015 SCORING GUIDELINES

Question 2

BASIC CORE (competence)

0-7 Points

1. Has acceptable thesis.

1 Point

- The thesis accurately addresses and qualifies one continuity and one change in labor systems during the period circa 1450 to circa 1900.
- The thesis must be explicitly stated in the introduction or specified conclusion of the essay.
- The thesis may appear as one sentence or as multiple consecutive sentences.
- A thesis that is split among multiple paragraphs, or merely restates the prompt, is unacceptable.
- The thesis **CANNOT** be counted for credit in any other category.

2. Addresses all parts of the question, though not necessarily evenly or thoroughly.

1-2 Points

For 2 points:

- The essay addresses one change **AND** one continuity in labor systems within the specified time period.
- May not necessarily relate to the majority of the time period.

For 1 point:

- The essay addresses one change **OR** one continuity in labor systems within the specified time period.
- May not necessarily relate to the majority of the time period.

3. Substantiates thesis with appropriate historical evidence.

1-2 Points

For 2 points:

- The essay provides a minimum of **seven** pieces of evidence to support discussion of changes and continuity in labor systems within the time period.

For 1 point:

- The essay provides a minimum of **five** pieces of evidence that support discussion of change **and/or** continuity in labor systems within the time period.

4. Uses relevant world historical context effectively to explain change over time and/or continuity.

1 Point

- The essay explains how world historical movements or processes influenced labor system change or continuity,
- **OR** the essay explains how labor systems change or continuity influenced global historical movements or processes,
- **OR** relates discussion of change or continuity to similar processes in other world regions and/or other historical periods.

5. Analyzes the process of continuity and change over time.

1 Point

The essay explains continuity and change in labor systems in one of the specified regions.

Subtotal

7 Points

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Question 2 (continued)

EXPANDED CORE (excellence)

0-2 Points

Expands beyond basic core of 1-7 points. A student must earn **7 points** in the basic core area before earning points in the expanded core area.

Examples:

- Has a clear, analytical, and comprehensive thesis.
- Addresses all parts of the question comprehensively.
- Provides even and ample evidence of change and continuity.
- Provides ample world historical context.
- Extensively explains multiple labor systems.
- Provides extensive analysis of change and continuity throughout the period 1450–1900.

Subtotal

2 Points

TOTAL

9 Points