



EVALUATION

JUDGING CRITERIA
(Judging Criteria are explained in the *Rule Book*)

Superior	Excellent	Good	Needs Improvement
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COMMENTS:

Strengths / Areas for Improvement

Please comment on all 3 areas: Historical Quality, Theme, and Presentation

60% Historical Quality	Entry is historically accurate • Uses data correctly								
	Shows analysis and interpretation • Presents an argument • Goes beyond retelling								
	Places topic in historical context								
	Shows wide research • Uses various types of sources								
	Uses available primary sources appropriate to topic								
	Research is balanced • Includes multiple perspectives								

20% Relation to Theme	Clearly relates topic to NHD theme								
	Demonstrates historical significance of topic and draws conclusions								

20% Clarity of Presentation	Historical Paper is: • Original • Organized • Clearly written • Well presented • Appropriate								
	Grammar and spelling are correctly used throughout the paper.								

Rules Compliance	Maintains length requirement (1,500-2,500 words, includes student-composed words and quotes)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Word count is included on title page	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
	Includes annotated bibliography	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Includes citations (footnotes, endnotes or internal documentation)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No