

World History 2010 Big Era Paper RUBRIC: 80 points possible (20/requirement)

The “A” paper:

Utilizes at least 2 quotes from primary sources we have read and/or discussed. (20 pts)

Has an original thesis that enables you to analyze the Era and not just summarize it, and which forms a sophisticated, interpretive story for the Theme. (20 pts)

Is written with sophisticated vocabulary, dynamic verbs, and near perfect punctuation. (20 pts)

Is at least 4 pages long and not exceed 6 pages, has page numbers, name, and title and uses parenthetical citations for sources. (20 pts)

The “B” paper:

Utilizes 1 quote from the primary and secondary sources we have read and/or discussed.

Is driven by a simpler thesis than the “A” paper with more summary than analysis; but the still has a thesis still enables you to analyze the Era somewhat.

Is written with sophisticated vocabulary, dynamic verbs, and accurate punctuation with considerably more mistakes than an A paper, but not so many so as to interfere with readability.

Is at least 4 pages long and not exceed 6 pages, has page numbers, name, and title and uses parenthetical citations for sources.

The “C” paper:

Has no quotes from the primary sources

Has a thesis but does not really prove the thesis or analyze the Era. Paper is comprised almost solely of simplistic summary.

Is written with simple vocabulary, uninspiring verbs, and may contain so many mechanical problems that readability is compromised.

Is at least 4 pages long and not exceed 6 pages, but may be missing other formatting components.

Work which is inferior to the “C” characteristics listed above will receive no credit. Dr. Berry reserves the right to require rewrites where she feels it is essential.