

Global History and Geography

Regents Exam Strategies

Essay Questions from the June Global Regents Exam (2008-2017)

June 2017

- **Thematic: Individuals Engaged in Nationalism**
 - Circumstances
 - How They Promoted Nationalism
 - Effects
- **DBQ: Written Works Reacting to Problems**
 - Circumstances
 - Goals
 - Extent to Which They Were Successful

June 2016

- **Thematic: Geography**
 - Geographic Features
 - How They Presented Challenges
 - How People Used Technology to Meet Challenges
- **DBQ: Divisions (Germany, Palestine, India)**
 - What Caused the Division?
 - What were the Effects of the Division?

June 2015

- **Thematic: Belief Systems**
 - Ideas
 - How it Spread
 - Effects of Spread
- **DBQ: Empires (Roman, Ottoman, British)**
 - Decline
 - Impact of Decline

June 2014

- **Thematic: Challenges to Tradition & Authority**
 - The tradition
 - The challenge by an individual
 - Was change achieved?
- **DBQ: Turning Points (Black Plague, Treaty of Nanjing, Assassination of Archduke Ferdinand)**
 - Circumstances
 - Results

June 2013

- Thematic: **Revolutions**
 - Circumstances
 - Effects
- DBQ: **Technological Advancements (bow & stirrup; caravel; railroads)**
 - Effects on interactions of groups
 - Changes that resulted

June 2012

- **Thematic: Geographic Features**
 - How they influenced a region
 - How they influenced interactions w/other regions
- **DBQ: Autocratic Leaders (Shi Huangde; Peter the Great; Louis XIV)**
 - Actions
 - Helped or hurt?

June 2011

- **Thematic: Technological Innovations**
 - Why important during a time period?
 - Positive/negative effects on society
- **DBQ: Denial of Human Rights (Ukraine; Cambodia; Rwanda)**
 - Circumstances
 - Policy or Action
 - Impact

June 2010

- **Thematic: Ideas of Individuals**
 - Explain idea
 - Circumstances
 - Influence on a group or nation
- **DBQ: Geographic Factors (deserts; monsoons; cold climates)**
 - Describe the factor
 - Describe the effects

June 2009

- **Thematic: Human Rights**
 - Circumstances
 - Denial of rights
 - Attempts to end violation
- **DBQ: Economic & Social Change (Middle Ages, Industrial Revolution, Age of Globalization)**
 - Describe the change
 - Describe the impact

June 2008

- **Thematic: Belief Systems**
 - Beliefs
 - Influence of beliefs
- **DBQ: Problems (Genocide, Threats to the Environment, Weapons of Mass Destruction)**
 - Describe the problem
 - Attempts to resolve the problem

Questions:

1) What trends did you notice?

2) What do you think the Thematic Essay will be?

3) What do you hope it will be?