

**AP WORLD COMPARATIVE ESSAY GENERIC RUBRIC**

Basic Core (Competence)	Possible Points	Your Points	Expanded Core (Excellence)	Your Points
1. Has acceptable thesis. <i>(addresses comparison of the issues or themes specified)</i>	1		Expands beyond basic core of 1-7 Points. The basic core of a score of <b>7</b> must be achieved before a student can earn expanded core points.  <b>(0-2 Points)</b>  Examples: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Has a clear, analytical, and comprehensive thesis</li> <li>▪ Addresses all parts of the question (as relevant): comparisons, chronology, causation, connections, themes, interactions, content.</li> <li>▪ Provides ample historical evidence to substantiate thesis.</li> <li>▪ Relates comparisons to larger global context.</li> <li>▪ Makes several direct comparisons consistently between or among societies.</li> <li>▪ Consistently analyzes the causes and effects of relevant similarities and differences.</li> </ul>	
2. Addresses all parts of the of the question, though not necessarily evenly or thoroughly.  <i>(Addresses most parts of the question: for example, deals with differences but not similarities)</i>	2			
3. Substantiates thesis with appropriate evidence.  <i>(Partially substantiates thesis with appropriate evidence.)</i>	(1)			
4. Makes at least three relevant, direct comparisons between or among societies.	2			
5. Analyzes at least three reasons for a similarity or difference identified in a direct comparison.	(1)			
Subtotal	7		Subtotal	
			Total	

Grade Conversion

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
55	60	65	70	75	80	85	90	95	100

Comments: