
A.M.D.G. -- McQuaid Jesuit High School
American History 11 -- Mr. Ruppert
Grading Rubric for Final Term Paper Assignment (100 points)

Categories of Assessment:

- ___ Followed all requirements / directions for completing the paper (10 points)
 - Title Page
 - Appropriate length (5 pages minimum)
 - Meets minimum requirements for sources used
 - Is paginated

- ___ Proper citation (parenthetical) throughout the paper (10 points)

- ___ Properly completed bibliography (10 points)

- ___ Proper grammar, sentence structure, punctuation, and spelling throughout (10 pts.)

- ___ Organization of your paper (10 points)
 - Distinct introduction (thesis), body, and conclusion to your paper
 - Proper use of paragraphs throughout
 - Good transitions / good flow - sense of purposefulness to paper throughout

- ___ Quality / Originality of the content of your writing (50 points)
 - a. Did you fully identify / describe your topic with sufficient detail?
 - b. Did you present a convincing argument as to why your topic deserves inclusion in our text?
 - c. Did you discuss why you feel this person / event is not included in the text?
 - d. Did you do a good job of connecting this person / event with the rest of the American story and describing both the background and the lasting effects / significance of your topic or person?
 - e. Did you speculate on potential "What If" history?
 - f. How original / unique / creative is your topic and your writing? Is your topic truly "something different"?

***NOTE -- Any final paper which is submitted and contains no bibliography or citation of sources will not receive a grade higher than 60% in any case whatsoever.**