

## WHAT IS A SHORT ANSWER QUESTION? WHAT WILL I DO FOR THIS PART OF THE TEST?

The short answer questions (SAQ) are designed for students to explain historical examples they know best. There are four (4) SAQ's on the test. You will be given 50 minutes to answer them.

The SAQ's are 20% of the exam grade.

## THE SHORT ANSWER QUESTION (SAQ)



The short answer question will have a prompt with three parts (a and b or a, b, and c) to answer. If it is a and b, the SAQ may ask for TWO examples in one part, and ONE in another (3 points).

The prompt may have text, images, maps, or graphs.

Each SAQ is worth up to 3 points. Each part is worth 1 point.

If you don't answer all of the question or provide enough content for a part, you don't get the point for that part.

## 2 WRITING YOUR ANSWER

- Write your answer IN THE BOX. There is a planning area, but only what is written in the box is graded.
- 2. Label and separate the parts of your answer (A and B or A, B, C).
- 3. Write 2–3 evidence based, COMPLETE sentences that answer each part of the question.
- 4. Do NOT write lengthy paragraphs or an essay.
- 5. Do NOT use bullet points or sentence fragments.
- 6. Do NOT quote from the excerpt or text provided.



## THE LANGUAGE-WHAT AM I BEING ASKED TO DO?



Identify–To show what something is, to provide an example of



Explain-To make clear or understandable; to give reasons for or cause of, to show logical development



Remember: You need to include specific events, details and developments in your answers. This is a skill and content exercise.