

Argument Practice

Name: _____

You will receive 4 prompts. For each, you should practice writing an argument including a thesis and a method statement. Each of these are prompts that you may see again on your upcoming test.

Prompt 1: Did the Black Death or Great Dying have a greater impact on the world?	
Method Statement	<i>(this should say how you will compare these two epidemics)</i>
T H E S I S	Claim <i>(this should directly answer the prompt)</i>
	Reason <i>(this should give the core details of why your claim is true)</i>

Prompt 2: Were the Mongol Conquests of Asia or European Conquests of the Americas more brutal to the people who were conquered?	
Method Statement	<i>(this should say how you will compare these two conquests)</i>
T H E S I S	Claim <i>(this should directly answer the prompt)</i>
	Reason <i>(this should give the core details of why your claim is true)</i>

Prompt 3: Did the Columbian Exchange or Mongol Diffusion have a greater impact on the world?		
Method Statement		<i>(this should say how you will compare these two waves of diffusion)</i>
T H E S I S	Claim	<i>(this should directly answer the prompt)</i>
	Reason	<i>(this should give the core details of why your claim is true)</i>

Prompt 4: Should the treatment of American Indians by Europeans be viewed as a genocide (the deliberate destruction of a race or ethnic group)?		
Method Statement		<i>(this should say how you will define if something is a genocide?)</i>
T H E S I S	Claim	<i>(this should directly answer the prompt)</i>
	Reason	<i>(this should give the core details of why your claim is true)</i>