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Author's Name:	Letter Grade:		
Topic and Research Groundwork	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree Strongly Disagree
The paper is related to the topic of the course.			
The sources used are high quality, academic resources.			
The sources used are not too general or focused on one particular element.			
The bibliography includes primary source materials (texts written in this historical period).			
Effort has been made to situate the topic/case study within its historical context.			
The paper shows mastery of the topics covered in the course in some way.			
$The \ basic information \ about \ the \ subject/case \ study \ is \ present \ (who, what, where, when).$			
Analysis			
The paper has a strong research component.			
The paper has <u>a clear argument that is of reasonable scope</u> for a paper of 8-10 pgs.			
This argument is represented in the form of a <u>clear thesis statement</u> .			
The author has taken a position in relation to the topic and is not simply regurgitating the most common interpretation.			
The paper poses interesting questions & suggests plausible answers.			
The thesis is broken down into sub-topics which, together, prove the argument.			

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The author has considered what kinds of <u>evidence</u> will best allow him/her to prove the argument		
The argument made by the author is compelling. S/he has convinced me that I should care.		
Writing		
The organization of the paper is clear and logical.		
The organization of paragraphs is clear and logical.		
There are adequate transitions between paragraphs.		
Sentences are complete and grammatically correct.		
Quotations have been used responsibly and have been adequately introduced.		
The paper follows the format discussed in the checklist posted on Course Spaces.		
Notes:		