**1.** In your response, you will be assessed on the following.

Respond to the prompt with a historically defensible thesis or claim that establishes a line of reasoning.

Describe a broader historical context relevant to the prompt.

Provide at least two specific examples of evidence relevant to the topic of the prompt.

Evaluate the reasons why European powers sought to establish colonies in the Americas in the period from 1492 to 1607.



Please respond on separate paper, following directions from your teacher.