

The final topic in this unit focuses on the skill of argumentation and provides an opportunity to draw upon the key concepts and historical developments they have studied in this unit. Using evidence relevant to this unit's key concepts, students should practice the suggested skill for this topic.

Learning Objective	Historical Developments	Study Guide Notes
Compare the methods by which various empires increased their influence from 1450-1750.	<p>Empires achieved increased scope and influence around the world, shaping and being shaped by the diverse populations they incorporated.</p> <p>Expansion relied on and increased the use of gunpowder, cannons, and armed trade to establish large empires.</p> <p>Political and religious disputes led to rivalries and conflict between states.</p>	

**Respond to the learning objective:**