## Judging Criteria
(Judging criteria are explained in the Contest Rule Book)

### Historical Quality (60%)
- Entry is historically accurate
- Shows analysis and interpretation
- Places topic in historical context
- Shows wide research
- Uses available primary sources
- Research is balanced

### Relation to Theme (20%)
- Clearly relates topic to theme
- Demonstrates significance of topic in history and draws conclusions

### Clarity of Presentation (20%)
- Paper is original, clear, appropriate, organized and well-presented
- Text is grammatical and spelling is correct; entry is neatly prepared

### Rules Compliance
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### Comments
- Strengths
- Areas for Improvement