## Sir John A. Macdonald Secondary School History Department Essay Marking Rubric

Name(s): Topic:

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Categories	Level 4	Level 3 Level 2		Level 1	Below Level	
Knowledge and Understanding	30 29 28 27 26 25 24  -all points are supported with facts -all facts are relevant; detailed; accurate	- many points are supported with facts -many facts are relevant; detailed; accurate	-some points are supported with facts -some facts are relevant; detailed; accurate	17 16 15  -few points are supported with facts -few facts are relevant; detailed; accurate	-points are not supported with facts -facts not relevant; detailed; accurate	
Thinking and	15 14 13 12	11	10 9	8	7 6 5 4 3 2 1 0	
Inquiry  Style /15	-thesis is clear and concise -essay is convincing -essay convincingly shows a logical progression of thought	-thesis is fairly clear and concise -essay is fairly convincing -essay fairly shows a logical progression of thought	-thesis is somewhat clear and concise -essay is somewhat convincing -essay somewhat shows a logical progression of thought	-thesis is rarely clear and concise -essay is rarely convincing -essay rarely shows a logical progression of thought	-no thesis evident -essay is not convincing -essay does not show a logical progression of thought	

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Analysis /30	30 29 28 27 26 25 24 -impact on social scientific field or society is convincing	23 22 21 -impact on social scientific field or society is fairly convincing	20 19 18  -impact on social scientific field or society is somewhat convincing	17 16 15 -impact on social scientific field or society is rarely convincing	14 12 10 8 6 4 2 0  -impact on social scientific field or society is not convincing
Resources/Citations /10	-no formatting errors -all citations are complete -all resources are appropriate -minimum number exceeded	-few formatting errors -most citations are complete -most resources are appropriate -minimum number met	-some formatting errors -some citations are complete -some resources are appropriate -minimum number met	-many formatting errors -few citations are complete -few resources are appropriate -minimum number not met	-many formatting errors -citations are not complete -resources are not appropriate -minimum number not met or works cited list not handed in

Communication /15	15 14 13 12	11	10 9	8	7 6 5 4 3 2 1 0
	-masterful use of language: sentence structure, vocabulary, tone, transition, grammar, spelling	-effective use of language:     sentence structure, vocabulary, tone, transition, grammar, spelling	-some control of language: sentence structure, vocabulary, tone, transition, grammar, spelling	-little control of language: sentence structure, vocabulary, tone, transition, grammar, spelling	-no control of language: sentence structure, vocabulary, tone, transition, grammar, spelling

TOTAL /100