

AP European History
European Exploration Essay Outline Assignment

Name _____

Essay Question:

Given its relatively small population and lack of obvious resources, how was the Dutch Republic able to establish the world's most successful and profitable overseas empire?

Thesis Statement

1. Should fully address the question asked
2. Take a clear position with regard to the question asked – it must reflect your own analysis & synthesis of information – NOT A STATEMENT OF FACT
3. Provide organizational categories that will be used in the essay – each organizational category should provide a partial answer to the question

*Underline and label each organizational category with A, B, and C.

2ND Paragraph: Topic Sentence “A” (Organizational Category “A” of thesis) – The topic sentence should provide a **partial answer to the question**.

List 3 at least specific points that support your topic sentence (**THIS** is where the factual information goes...):

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3rd Paragraph: Topic Sentence “B” (Organizational Category “B” of thesis) – The topic sentence should provide a **partial answer to the question.**

List at least 3 specific points that support your topic sentence (**THIS** is where the factual information goes...):

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4th Paragraph: Topic Sentence “C” (Organizational Category “C” of thesis) – The topic sentence should provide a **partial answer to the question.**

List at least 3 specific points that support your topic sentence (**THIS** is where the factual information goes...):

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