

Year 8 Assessment Feedback

Descriptor	Sources	Knowledge	Writing Skills
Excelling	Extract key inferences from source and support with reference to the source to evaluate how it relates to the topic. Comment on reliability of source and beginning to include some consideration of thought along the lines of typicality of the source and hence value.	Excellent with a good range and depth of knowledge including on causes of civil war. Recognises all the different viewpoints. All criteria are included and categorised.	Excellent response which is clearly focused and provides a well-structured answer. There is consistent linking between factors and explanations and includes a well substantiated judgement employing both knowledge and sources used.
Extending	Consistent ability to extract key inferences and begin to make relevant and valid comments on provenance which are specific to that source and the narrative provided.	Very Good range or depth knowledge for topic. All criteria are included and recognises why more than one view point has been considered. Categorisation is completed.	Very Good response focused on the question. Responses are well-structured and starting to consistently link information to explanations. Provides a judgement which recognises both knowledge and sources used.
Embedding	Relevant sources used and key inferences extracted. More consistent and relevant links made with narrative which sometimes specific to that source.	Good range and depth knowledge. Some of the aspects of the topic may not be considered. Categorisation may be limited All criteria included.	Good writing skills mostly focused on the question. Responses are well structured and include explanation sentences that link information to the question and provides a substantiated judgement.
Secure	Relevant sources used and key inferences extracted. Some links to the narrative made.	Satisfactory range and depth knowledge of topic. All criteria are covered.	Satisfactory writing skills focused on the question. Answer is well structured and uses explanation sentences that are mostly developed. Includes a substantiated judgement.
Developing	Relevant sources used and key points extracted. Limited links to narrative.	Poor range and depth knowledge. Factors and categorisation will be unequal.	Satisfactory writing skills with some focus on the question. Answer is structured and uses some explanation sentences that may not be developed fully. Includes a basic judgement.
Beginning	Uses source (s) that is relevant .	Knowledge is weak . Some causes may be missed out or very limited. Those included are not detailed.	Writing skills need further development . Little or no structure to writing not focusing

			entirely on causes of civil war. Does not include a judgement.
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