

Steeger's SAQ Formula (T.E.A.) - 2025 - Official

Table, 3 points

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Criteria	Score definitions
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Topic Sentence	0	1
The response should begin with a topic sentence that directly addresses all parts of the given prompt and makes a relevant claim.	The response does not address the prompt, lacks a topic sentence, or makes no relevant historical claim.	The response begins with a topic sentence that addresses the prompt, makes a relevant claim, and mentions any specified time period.

Evidence	0	1
The response should include specific historical evidence (person, place, or event) that is defined and supports the topic sentence.	The response lacks specific historical evidence, fails to define evidence provided, or uses evidence that is incorrect, irrelevant, or from the wrong time period.	The response includes specific and relevant historical evidence (a historical person, place, or event) that is defined and effectively supports the topic sentence. Evidence must be relevant to the time period. Response should include transitional phrases like 'for instance' or 'for example.'

Analysis	0	1
The response should analyze HOW or WHY the evidence supports the topic sentence or	The response does not analyze HOW the evidence connects to the topic sentence or WHY the	The response provides a clear and logical analysis of HOW the evidence connects to the topic sentence or WHY the

connects to the prompt. This analysis must explain either the process of connection (HOW) or the significance of the evidence (WHY) to the argument.	evidence is significant to the argument. The analysis may be missing, unclear, incorrect, or fail to demonstrate the connection or significance.	evidence is significant to the argument. The analysis must explain either the process of connection (HOW) or the significance of the evidence (WHY) to the historical claim.
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