How to answer the prompt...

Answering a prompt can be daunting. So having a strategy to answer is important!

First, read the prompt. Then reread it. What is it asking?
Then determine which Historical Thinking Skill to utilize.
The prompt will start with “Evaluate the extent to which....” Ask yourself, on a sliding scale of 1 to 4, is this a small amount or large amount.

- a ONE is very little if any that it is hardly noticeable.
  - Causation: event had no relation to other events
  - Comparison: almost identical
- a FOUR is majorly significant.
  - Causation: this single event was a major contributing factor to the effect, Catalyst
  - Comparison: polar opposites
- a TWO is medium significant.
- a THREE is somewhat significant.

The Likert scale is a common assessment tool developed by psychologist Rensis Likert to rate on a scale the level of agreeableness to a statement on an ordinal scale.

Historical Thinking Skills

Effect

• How directly related is this effect to its cause?

Cause

• How much of a role did this event have on its effect?

Evaluate the extent to which....

Likert Scale

Strongly Agree

Slightly Agree

Slightly Disagree

Strongly Disagree

At the end of the period, were there more continuities or changes? How much so?

Are there more similarities or differences? Are they major or minor?

Continuity

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