



Diamond Jubilee Essay Contest Rubric

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4
Knowledge and Understanding	Demonstrates a limited understanding of the history and issues related to the question (constitutional monarchy, systems of government, regional values, identity).	Demonstrates some understanding of the history and issues related to the question (constitutional monarchy, systems of government, regional values, identity).	Demonstrates a good understanding of the history and issues related to the question (constitutional monarchy, systems of government, regional values, identity).	Demonstrates an excellent understanding of the history and issues related to the question (constitutional monarchy, systems of government, regional values, identity).
Critical Thinking and Analysis	Shows critical thinking/analytical skills with limited degree of effectiveness Makes limited connections between question and today's context	Shows critical thinking/analytical skills with some degree of effectiveness Makes some connections between question and today's context	Shows critical thinking/analytical skills with considerable degree of effectiveness Makes considerable connections between question and today's context	Shows critical thinking/analytical skills with high degree of effectiveness Makes excellent connections between question and today's context
Use of Evidence	Uses historical evidence and examples to support views with limited degree of effectiveness	Uses historical evidence and examples to support views with some degree of effectiveness	Uses historical evidence and examples to support views with considerable degree of effectiveness	Uses historical evidence and examples to support views with high degree of effectiveness
Communication	Communicates ideas with limited effectiveness. Limited organization and paragraph structure Significant spelling and grammatical errors.	Communicates ideas with some degree of effectiveness. Some organization and paragraph structure Frequent spelling and grammatical errors.	Communicates ideas with considerable effectiveness. Good organization and paragraph structure Minor spelling and grammatical errors.	Communicates ideas with high degree of effectiveness. Excellent organization and paragraph structure Few if any spelling and grammars.
Inquiry	Little evidence of research Limited depth and range of sources	Some evidence of research Some depth and range of sources	Considerable evidence of research Considerable depth and range of sources	Excellent evidence of research Excellent depth and range of sources