

SOCIAL STUDIES RUBRIC

Level 4

This response shows understanding of the content, question, and/or problem. The response is insightful, integrates knowledge, and demonstrates powerful application.

- The application shows powerful evidence of higher order thinking skills.
- Concepts are accurate and well supported.
- There are no misconceptions.
- The response is comprehensive.

Level 3

This response shows some understanding of the content, question, and/or problem. The response includes appropriate application that demonstrates evidence of higher order thinking skills.

- The application shows some evidence of higher order thinking skills.
- Concepts are accurate and supported.
- There are no interfering misconceptions.
- The response may not develop all parts equally.

Level 2

This response shows knowledge of the content, question, and/or problem. The response is acceptable with some key ideas. The response shows little or no evidence of application.

- The response includes some basic ideas.
- The response provides little or no support.
- There are minimal misconceptions.

Level 1

This response shows minimal knowledge of the content, question, and/or problem. The response is related to the question, but it is inadequate.

- The response includes incomplete or fragmented ideas or knowledge.
- There may be significant misconceptions.

Level 0

The response is completely incorrect or irrelevant. There may be no response.

Knowledge and Understanding indicate the degree to which the response reflects a grasp of the content, question, and/or problem presented in the stimulus. The response indicates mastery that progresses from *knowledge* to *understanding*.