

**AP European History
DBQ Sentence Stems**Point of View

- This _____ (type of document) is most likely biased because _____.
- (The author) _____ is probably saying _____ in an attempt to _____.
- (The author) _____ is probably saying _____ because he/she is a _____.
- (The author) _____ probably felt this way because as a _____ (occupation, social status, nationality, etc..) he/she believed _____.
- (Name of doc) _____ is likely propaganda and therefore unreliable because _____.
- Not surprisingly, as a _____ (occupation, social status, etc..) _____ (the author) said _____.

Historical Context

- Living back then, this person would have experienced...
- Some things that were different back then were...
- Even though much is different, it is important to remember that ...was the probably the same.
- Back then people would have been (worried about) or (hoping for)...
- It is important to understand that Happened during....because people at that time would have....
- Meanwhile....
- This fits into...
- The makes sense because nationally/internationally at the time...
- This was a time of ... because across the nation/world...

Audience

- The speaker addresses _____ because/since he/she says, “_____”.
- The intended audience for this (document type) is _____ because _____.
- Because the speaker says “_____” the intended audience must be _____.
- The (projected, anticipated, intended, etc...) audience must be _____ since the speaker says “_____”.
- After (reading, viewing, listening to) the (document type) the speaker’s intended audience is _____ because _____.

Purpose

- The purpose of the (document type) is _____ because _____.
- The speaker’s intended focus is _____ because _____.
- The speaker’s point is _____ because _____.
- The main idea of the (document type) is _____ since the speaker says “_____”.
- After (reading, viewing, listening to) to (document type) it is clear that the (author’s) purpose is _____ because _____.
- The author’s purpose is to (show, point out, suggest, inform, persuade, convince, entertain) in order to/so that _____ because _____.

Outside Information

- An event/person/idea that helps illustrate this is ...because...
- For instance...
- An example...
- One example...
- Another example...
- This is related to ...because...
- This connects to ...because...

Synthesis

- This continues/evolves into...
- This relates to...because...
- According to ...it could be argued ...
- This theme persists/isn't new, it was/is seen in...
- This is similar to...because...
- This connects to...because...