



Ethnic Conflict in Foreign Countries

Class Discussion Assignment Grading Rubric

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Purpose

The purpose of this assignment is to encourage the students to create professional presentations explaining the topic to the class. The discussants will present the day's topic in a coherent manner for the rest of the students, using a PowerPoint (or equivalent) presentation, which will be emailed to the instructor by 5:00 pm the evening before the presentation date. The entire activity, including preparation, presentation, and PowerPoint, is worth 50 points.

Grading Rubric

Preparation [25 points maximum]

Material from readings covered; Appropriate materials from outside the readings brought in to the discussion; Questions from the class answered correctly; Questions from the instructor answered correctly

Presentation [15 points maximum]

Presentation follows a logical progression; Familiarity with slides shown; Topic for the day presented fully; Material presented, not read; All members of the team involved in the presentation; Transition between members smooth and unobtrusive; Length exceeds 30 minutes, but not 45 minutes

PowerPoint [10 points maximum]

Follows and supports the presentation; Professional style; Submitted on time

As this is a group project, each member of the group will receive the same grade, with two exceptions:

- If the student is absent on the presentation day (or is late), that student's grade is the only one to suffer.
- If the other group members contact me before the presentation date and inform me that the student is not performing acceptably, that student may be completely removed from the group.

If a student (or group) is unable to (or does not) demonstrate knowledge of the material, he/she/they will receive a zero.