

Module 12 - Civilizations of Eastern Europe

Essential Question

(1 paragraph with intro, conclusion, and supporting sentences)

Prompt

Historical Context

In this module, you've learned about the history of eastern Europe. Now it's your turn to demonstrate your understanding of the module content by writing an essay.

Task

Write a persuasive essay that answers this question:

How might trade have changed the way Eastern European society developed?

1. Your essay should include key people, events, and ideas relevant to advances made by the eastern European civilizations.
2. Cite evidence to support your position.
3. Organize your essay into an introduction, body, and conclusion.

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Discussion Questions

(5 paragraph Essay)

Prompt

Historical Context

After the fall of the western Roman Empire, the eastern half survived for many centuries and became known as the Byzantine Empire. Eastern Europe also included the Roman Empire and smaller kingdoms occupied by different peoples.

Task

Eastern Europe has few natural barriers separating the many ethnic groups who live there. During the period covered in this module, these groups often experienced conflict among themselves and with invaders from Asia. What actions did eastern European peoples take to try to become more secure? How successful were these strategies?

Complete the following steps as you plan and compose your essay.

1. Review your notes and sources before you start writing.
2. Use at least two of the sources in Part 1, and develop the topic with relevant, well-chosen text evidence from the documents.
3. Cite specific text evidence from each of the sources in your response.
4. Plan your essay so that it includes an introduction, several body paragraphs, and a concluding paragraph.
5. Organize your essay in a clear and logical way, and establish and maintain a formal style and objective tone.