

# Our Schedule

- Thursday
  - Discussion of Abbasid Empire and Thesis Development
- Friday
  - In-class Work on CCOT Essay
- Tuesday
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- Wednesday
  - CCOT Essay AND Abbasid CCOT Charts Due
  - Begin Unit 2

## Thesis

Must have a clear, specific thesis in the intro or conclusion. We will work on thesis development tomorrow

## Causation

What factors produce the continuity or change? What were the effects? Short term impact vs long term? Cause and effect?

## Continuity and Change

Examine specific continuities and changes over the era. Why are these developments significant?

## Contextualization

Historical context of the events must be addressed. What events are going on outside of the specific topic discussed?

## Historical Evidence

Specific historical evidence must be used throughout the essay to support your points

## Style

Minimum 5 paragraphs  
Intro/Conclusion  
Topic sentences

**Specific Topics vs.  
General/Broad Topics**

- **Economics?**

**Specific Topics vs.  
General/Broad Topics**

- **Civil Rights?**

**Specific Topics vs.  
General/Broad Topics**

- **Taxation?**

**Specific Topics vs.  
General/Broad Topics**

- **Government?**

**DO NOT use  
Islam as a  
continuity in this  
essay. That is too  
simplistic and  
general for this  
type of essay. It  
will not count**