

Social Studies Performance Task 10-1

Standard(s):

- **SS9c – Science, technology, and society:** Explain the effects of scientific and technological discoveries for a specific historical period.

The Task:

Technological innovations have altered society from 1500 to the present. In this task you will focus on one technological development in a chosen period and discuss or display the effects of this discovery.

Select one period in history when military technology was employed and evaluate the effects of the technological innovations. You will use this information to: (select one)

1. Write a military briefing outlining the changes on a group of people as a result of military technology.
2. Create a poster, multimedia presentation, or illustrated timeline that depicts the effects of the evolution and sophistication of weaponry.
3. Compose a diary from the battlefield, written by soldiers who discuss how technology has changed their experience in combat, mobility, nutrition and medical care.

Self-evaluate your presentation prior to delivery. Revise and edit as appropriate.

Circumstances of Performance:

The student work is produced under the following conditions:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> alone | <input type="checkbox"/> in a group |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> in class | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> as homework |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> with teacher feedback | <input type="checkbox"/> with peer feedback |
| <input type="checkbox"/> timed | <input type="checkbox"/> extended project |
| <input type="checkbox"/> no opportunity for revision | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> opportunity for revision |

Criteria for Success:

- Uses and evaluates at least 5 primary sources in gathering concrete examples and details.
- Creates a product that contains background information.
- Presents an organized briefing, demonstrating an understanding of the subject.
- Uses correct conventions and grammar.
- Demonstrates clarity of ideas in evaluating information through the use of graphics.
- Integrates various media forms.

Related Standard(s):

- **SS3b - Time, Continuity, and Change:** Describe how the perception of time affects culture and society.
- **SS9a - Science, Technology, and Society:** Analyze how core values, beliefs, and attitudes of society shape scientific and technological change.