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| City and Environmental History Rubric | | | | |
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| CATEGORY | Excellent | Good | Satisfactory | Poor |
| Industry | Great care has been given to development of the links between natural resources, industry, and the growth of the city. | Industry is obviously reliant on a natural resource and obviously central to the development of the city. | Industry is reliant on a natural resource, but does not appear to be central in the development of the city. | Industry is only mentioned tangentially as a factor in the development of the city, or industry is not reliant on a natural resource. |
| Decline | Connections between the availability of resources, impact of resource availability on human behavior, and decline of the city have been clearly and carefully described. | A successful attempt has been made to link the availability of resources to human behavior and decline of the industry. | Connections between the availability of natural resources, resource availability and human behavior, and decline of the industry have been attempted, but may not be fully developed. | One or more components of the resource, human, industry system are missing or not properly related. |
| Environmental Damage | Environmental damage has been noted, described, linked to the central industry, and linked to the concepts of human activity and resource depletion. | Environmental damage has been noted and described and is clearly linked to the central industry. | Environmental damage has been noted, but either not described or not clearly related to the central industry. | No description of environmental damage has been included, or air pollution is the only noted environmental damage. |
| Writing Conventions | Environmental history is logically structured, flows well, creative, and free of grammatical errors. | Environmental history is logically structured, flows well, and contains 1-2 grammatical errors. | Environmental history is either logically structure OR flows well and contains 3-4 grammatical errors. | Environmental history is not logically structured, does not flow well, or contains 5 or more grammatical errors. |
| Concept Map | Map clearly describes the links between changes in resource availability, human activity, and decline of the industry. Increases or decreases of an element are noted. System is clearly a positive or negative feedback loop. | Map depicts the links between changes in resource availability, human activity, and decline of the industry. System is clearly a positive or negative feedback loop. | Map depicts the links between changes in resource availability, human activity, and the decline of the industry. | Map does not clearly depict or describe the links between changes in resource availability, human activity, and decline of the industry. |