Commodore Perry’s Arrival Document Based Question

IB History

**Instructions:**

Working in your groups, use the sources provided (including the video we just watched) to answer this Paper 1 style question.

1a) What, according to source 2, was Perry’s approach to opening diplomatic relations between the United States and Japan? [3 marks]

1b) What is the message conveyed about foreigners in the Artist’s View of Perry and Adams? [2 marks]

2. Compare and contrast the reactions to foreigners represented in sources 3 and 4.[6 marks]

3. With reference to their origin and purpose, assess the value and limitations of sources 5 and 6 for historians studying how the people of Japan reacted to the forced opening of Japan. [6 marks]

4. Using the sources and your own knowledge, attempt to respond to our focus question:

*To what extent did Perry’s arrival weaken the Tokugawa Shogunate?* [8 marks]