Section 3: Reflection

IB History

**Instructions:**

Use the below questions, template to start building your reflection. Once you have a draft, review the rubric descriptions for Section 3.

**Reflection #1** - *Choose 1 to answer in detail (a paragraph)*

***Connect your answers to your own personal research experiences***

* What constitutes a historical event?
* Who decides which events are historically significant?
* What is the role of the historian?

**Reflection #2** - *Choose 1 or 2 to answer in detail (a paragraph)*

***Connect your answers to your own personal research experiences***

* How can the reliability of sources be evaluated?
* What is the difference between bias and selection?
* What methods used by historians did you use in your investigation?
* What did your investigation highlight to you about the limitations of those methods?

**Reflection #3 -** *Choose 1 or 2 to answer in detail (a paragraph)*

***Connect your answers to your own personal research experiences***

* Is it possible to describe historical events in an unbiased way?
* If it is difficult to establish proof in history, does that mean that all versions of history are equally acceptable?

**Word Count:**

*(Needs to be less than 400 total by the end of the process - about 3 paragraphs)*

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| **Marks** | **Level Descriptor** |
| 0 | The work does not reach a standard described by the descriptors below. |
| 1-2 | The reflection contains some discussion of what the investigation highlighted to the student about the methods used by the historian.  The reflection demonstrates little awareness of the challenges facing the historian and/or the limitations of the methods used by the historian.  The connection between the reflection and the rest of the investigation is implied, but is not explicit. |
| 3-4 | The reflection is clearly focused on what the investigation highlighted to the student about the methods used by the historian  The reflection demonstrates clear awareness of challenges facing the historian and/or limitations of the methods used by the historian.  There is a clear and explicit connection between the reflection and the rest of the investigation. |