

Name Sergey Per _____ Date _____

Comparing Economic Systems

Advanced

Meets Expectations

Not Yet

Grade - 86% B

ADVANCED – 88 – 100 pts.	
Focus <i>Good!</i>	Addresses all aspects of the prompt with a highly focused and convincing response.
Reading/Research	Demonstrates accurate and effective use of reading materials to develop argument or proposal and a solid understanding of content as presented in the prompt.
Controlling Idea *	Establishes a substantive and credible claim or proposal (L2) Acknowledges relevant competing arguments, defending or qualifying the claim or proposal as appropriate.
Development	Develops a detailed and convincing argument or proposal; provides relevant evidence in the form of examples or explanations with statements from reading material. (L3) Makes a clarifying connection(s) that illuminates argument and adds depth to reasoning.
Organization	Applies an appropriate text structure that develops reasoning; applies a logic model, such as deductive reasoning.
Conventions	Demonstrates a well-developed command of standard English conventions and cohesion; employs language and tone appropriate to audience and purpose.
MEETS EXPECTATIONS – 70 – 87 pts.	
Focus	Addresses the prompt and stays on task; provides a generally convincing response.
Reading/Research	Demonstrates generally effective use of reading materials to develop argument or proposal and an understanding of the content as presented in the prompt.
Controlling Idea *	Establishes a credible claim or proposal (L2) Acknowledges competing arguments while defending the claim or proposal.
Development *	Develops a satisfactory argument or proposal using reasoning with adequate detail to support claim or proposal; provides evidence from text(s) in the form of examples or explanations relevant to the argument or proposal.
Organization *	Applies an appropriate text structure that develops reasoning; applies a logic model.
Conventions *	Demonstrates a satisfactory command of standard English conventions and cohesion; employs language and tone appropriate to audience and purpose. <i>be careful of 1st person use!</i>
NOT YET – Below 70 pts.	
Focus	Attempts to address prompt but lacks focus or is off-task.
Reading/Research	Demonstrates weak use of reading materials to develop argument or proposal.
Controlling Idea	Establishes a claim or proposal but is weak or off task; (L2) Attempts to acknowledge competing arguments.
Development	Lacks details to support reasoning; examples or explanations are weak or not relevant. (L3) Connection is not relevant.
Organization	Provides a weak text structure; composition is confusing.
Conventions	Demonstrates a weak command of standard English conventions; lacks cohesion; language and tone are not appropriate to audience and purpose.

Good evidence but it needs to be developed better.

Teacher Comments:

Sergey - Strong work, you are on your way to "advanced", keep working to improve the development of your research & evidence.

Economic essay

Period 1 - Thiebes

Comparing Economic Systems Essay

Every economic system is unique in its own way. Some economic systems are preferred more than ^{SP} other economic systems. Having a pure market economy or a pure command economy never works. A mix of these two economic systems is what countries always have. Economic systems that have more market than ^{SP} command characteristics are the best economic systems because they allow ^{WC} freedom, equity, and makes the economy more diverse. *Good claim, setup organization, has an argument.*

Avoid "you" + "we"

Having a market economy guarantees freedom because freedom is a priority in a market economy. You have political and economical freedom, you have freedom to start a business, and you have the freedom to control the factors of production. According to the "World's Best Countries" data in Newsweek Magazine, the United States is ranked one in freedom, and 5.77 in innovation. *← what does this number mean?* The United States is closer to the market side of the economic spectrum and, people can start any business of their choice with very little government involvement. *Why is that good?* Having a market economy means having less government telling you what to do. The more the economy moves towards the command side of the spectrum the more freedom we lose ^{SP}. Like with taxes on Coca-Cola (Neuman). *expand on this* Government controlling what the society chooses to drink means less freedom. If people want to be independent and not have a whole bunch of government involvement we should be closer to the market side of the spectrum.

Equity is high ^{WC} along with freedom in a market system and it allows the economy to be more diverse with all sort of different businesses. *example?* Equity is being fair but not necessarily being equal. When everyone has a fair chance to make money by starting a

business, many people will want to start one. In Cuba, where they are starting to go from command to market, they are allowing people to start owning their own stores and small shops because many people wanted to start a business of their own (Booth). Having many different businesses will make the economy more diverse and powerful, versus having one store and no other option to shop at.

Good example!

When the economy is too close to the market side there are some down sides. First big businesses like Wal-Mart take over and make other smaller businesses go bankrupt. When Wal-Mart comes into a town, they offer really low prices that smaller businesses can't compete with. The smaller businesses then go out of business because everyone goes to Wal-Mart to do the shopping instead of going to the small businesses (Krugman, and Tierney). Having a command economy says that everyone has a job, meaning that people get to be secure no matter what. Where the reality is most people in command systems have jobs they hate and they don't get the pay necessary to get through life (Booth). Every economic system has its positives and negatives.

Competing argument - good!

Need better transition

Having a market based economy is the best mixed economy. You can't have an economy that satisfies everyone. The economy that has been working for over one hundred year and has been successful in America is the same economy that I think is the best mixed economy out there.

Good start, but could be a more developed conclusion.

Sergey - You have all the essential components of this essay - correct set up/organization, solid claim, good evidence + competing argument. Great work! To improve, you need better analysis of your evidence. Remember to explain why/how a piece of evidence, quote, etc. defend your point.

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