

Fall Semester Test  
Essay Question  
ADVANCED PLACEMENT EUROPEAN HISTORY  
FALL 2008

**DIRECTIONS:**

What follows below is the one and only essay question you will receive in regard to the Fall Semester Test. It is worth approximately 50% of your test grade (the Semester Test is worth 15% of your overall semester grade). Please consider the question and be prepared to answer it with a solid degree of detail to support your conclusions. The clarity, thoroughness, and consistency of your position and supporting information are the focus for how your conclusions will be graded by the instructor. Because you have the question approximately two weeks before the test, expectations are high in regard to quality of your response.

Please note: It is recommended that you practice writing an essay under test conditions (no notes, after having prepped for the test). However, when taking the test you may not utilize any notes when answering the essay question during the exam period.

**QUESTION:**

**Which of the following desires had the greatest impact on the development of European society from the later Middle Ages (High Middle Ages) to the mid-1700s?**

- **Religious Freedom**
- **Wealth**
- **Power**
- **Knowledge**

**Please support your answer.**