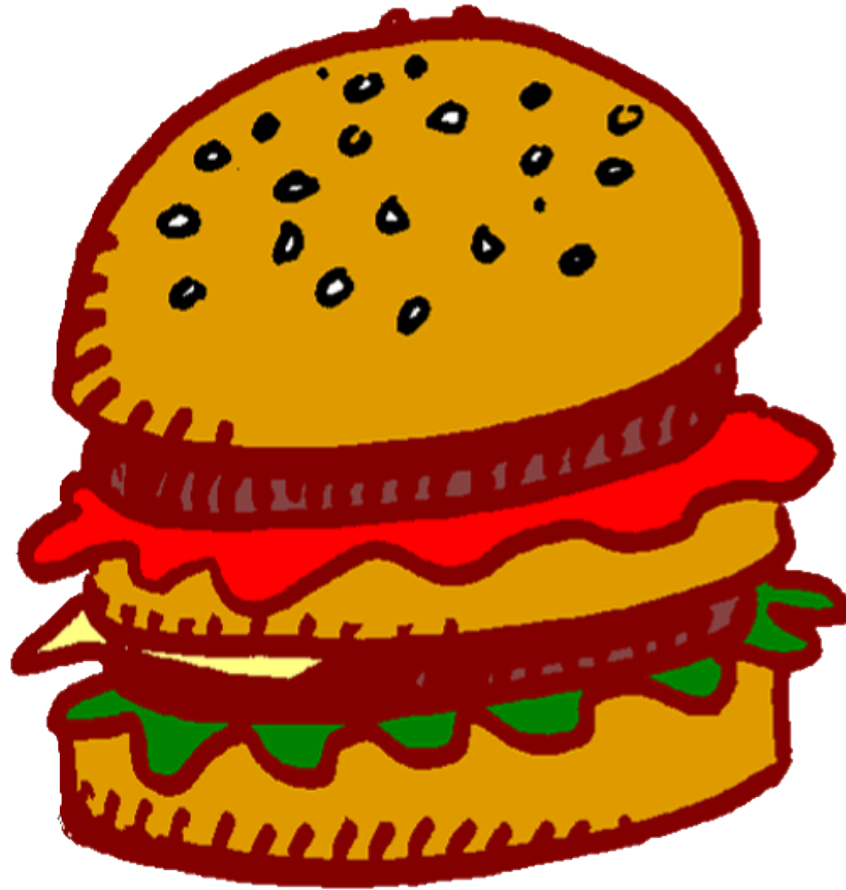
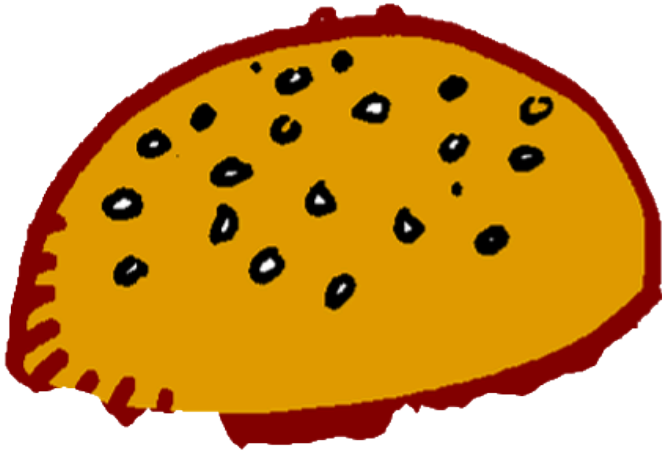


An “AWESOME” DBQ is Like a
Tasty Hamburger



The Introduction Paragraph



- The “TOP BUN” of your essay
- 4 – 6 sentences
- Focus on the DBQ question – do NOT begin with a “flowery” sentence!
- Establish TIME & PLACE
- Mention the SUB-TOPICS you will discuss to support your thesis statement
- End with a CLEAR THESIS STATEMENT (underline or highlight it!)

The “MEAT” Paragraphs



- The “Tasty Part” of your essay!
- 8 – 12 sentences per paragraph
- Identify your sub-topic in the first sentence
- Include the docs that are relevant to support the ideas
- Bring in supportive **OUTSIDE INFORMATION – SUPER IMPORTANT!!!**

How to Reference a Doc in Your Essay

- **NEVER begin with: In document 3, “...”.**
- Some examples:
 - According to the historians Friedman & Foner, “....” (Doc. 1).
 - Miss Betham-Edwards, a French peasant during the time of the French Revolution, said, “...” (Doc. 3)
 - *The French Declaration of the Rights of Man and the Citizen* states, “....” (Doc. 5)

The Conclusion Paragraph

- The “Bottom Bun” of your essay!
- It holds it all together 😊
- 3 – 4 sentences
- Restate your thesis **a bit differently**
- Connect to a larger historical idea/perspective
- DO NOT end with “this is the reason we are where we are today” -.-

