AP Euro – DBQ Document Analysis Chart

PROMPT: Analyze the role of socialism in 19th c. and early 20th c. society by addressing how various thinkers approached the issues of labor, production, and property.

Step 1: Before looking at the documents… Analyze the prompt, what does it want you to do and write about? What do you know about the topic of the prompt? Write down [in bullets or short phrases / sentences] what you know about socialism in general and any socialist thinkers. Are there any key vocabulary terms that will be useful? What did socialists think about labor, production and property rights?

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Step 2: Contextualization… What do you know about the eras cited in the prompt? What brought about the concept of “socialism” and what circumstances triggered this movement?

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Step 3: Analyze the documents individually to determine the main idea, and one of the following – its intended audience, its purpose, its context (what led THAT document to be produced at that time and place) OR the author’s Point of View (what about the author’s person, occupation, title or circumstances led him / her to say what they did).

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Step 4: Synthesis… (A) Summarize and paraphrase the thesis you just proved. (B) How does the topic of the prompt and your answer connect to another time, place or academic subject? Write down these connections. Make sure your comments directly reflect and connect to your proven thesis.

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| (A)  (B) |

Congrats! You should be ready to write a formal response to this prompt! Get ready!