

Unit 3 Performance Assessment Task: International Organizations Inquiry

Social Studies 20-1

Background:

The extent to which history is doomed to repeat itself depends on our ability to critically review the past and evaluate the factors that led to success or failures. Similarly, one can look towards the history of international organizations and determine the best practices and shortcomings of achieving the objectives of internationalism.

Critical/Essential Question:

How effective are international organizations effective at promoting internationalism?

Task:

In your groups, you will be assigned one of the following international organizations to inquire into. Prepare a 10minute presentation on the organization, and provide an infographic for your peers so that the information can be shared. Include in your presentation an evaluation on what factors make an organization effective in its pursuit of internationalism.

- United Nations
- World Council of Indigenous Peoples
- European Union
- L'Organisation Internationale de la Francophonie
- Arctic Council
- International NGO of choice

Your presentation and infographic should include:

- A **brief** overview of the organizations – their history, goals, objectives, structure
- **Precise** successes in internationalism – provide specific examples
- Some **insightful** criticisms of the organization – provide **thorough** discussion of evidence
- Evaluation of what made them effective (or ineffective) – have a position/take home message

Feel free to use various audio/visual media in your presentation and make your infographic as creative and artistic as you want, as long as it does not take away accessibility to the content. Your infographic can be in the form of a poster, brochure, etc.

Resources:

<https://piktochart.com>, Powerpoint/google slides, Word

Use the following research guide to plan your inquiry.

Research Guide

Name of Organization:	
Overview:	<p>What do they do?</p> <p>How do they operate?</p> <p>What are their goals with internationalism?</p>
Success:	<p>1 – 2 examples when they were successful.</p> <p>How well did they accomplish their goal of internationalism?</p>
Criticisms:	<p>1 – 2 examples when they failed or criticisms.</p> <p>What are some shortcomings of this organization for internationalism?</p>
Evaluation:	<p>What are some factors that make this organization effective or ineffective? (Compare the examples of success you provided or contrast with their failures)</p>

	Excellent	Proficient	Satisfactory	Limited	Poor
Quality of Infographic	Infographic is concise and informative . Information is presented in an accessible and captivating way. [5]	Infographic is elaborate and detailed . Information is presented in a meaningful and intuitive way. [4]	Infographic is adequate and substantial . Information is presented in a complicated and jarring way. [3]	Infographic is simple and basic . Information presented is minimalistic. [2]	Infographic is haphazard and confusing . Information presented is lacking. [1]
Quality of Evidence	Precise examples of the organization's success with internationalism is provided and lends to the understanding of the organization's function and goal. [5]	Specific examples of the organization's success with internationalism is provided and lends to the understanding of the organization's function and goal. [4]	Conventional examples of the organization's success with internationalism is provided and lends to the understanding of the organization's function and goal. [3]	Potentially relevant examples of the organization's success with internationalism is provided and lends to the understanding of the organization's function and goal. [2]	Inaccurate examples of the organization's success with internationalism is provided and lends to the understanding of the organization's function and goal. [1]
Quality of Criticism and Evaluation	Criticisms or weaknesses of the organization are provided along with insightful connections to internationalism. Evaluation of what makes international organizations effective is compelling . [9-10]	Criticisms or weaknesses of the organization are provided along with thoughtful connections to internationalism. Evaluation of what makes international organizations effective is comprehensive . [7-8]	Criticisms or weaknesses of the organization are provided along with straightforward connections to internationalism. Evaluation of what makes international organizations effective is developed . [5-6]	Criticisms or weaknesses of the organization are provided along with superficial connections to internationalism. Evaluation of what makes international organizations effective is shallow . [3-4]	Criticisms or weaknesses of the organization are provided along with unsubstantial connections to internationalism. Evaluation of what makes international organizations effective is unclear . [1-2]