

CULTURE	Exceeds Expectations	Meets Expectations	Below Expectations	Seriously Deficient
<i>Knowledge of cultural concepts</i>	Demonstrates nuanced understanding of cultural concepts. Can present a cogent and provocative definition of key terms.	Demonstrates a very good understanding of cultural concepts. Can present a cogent definition of key terms.	Demonstrates fair understanding of cultural concepts. Cannot adequately define terms.	Demonstrates misunderstandings, incomplete or incorrect knowledge of cultural concepts.
<i>Ability to analyze cultural artifacts in historical context</i>	Uses excellent knowledge of historical context to define and explain artifacts and texts.	Uses good knowledge of historical context to define and explain artifacts and texts.	Does not fully understand relationship of historical context to cultural artifacts and texts.	Cannot or incorrectly relates artifacts to historical context.
<i>Comparisons to other cultures/ Awareness of cultural issues</i>	Uses excellent knowledge of other cultures or other periods of same culture to aid understanding and sharpen focus. Demonstrates insight and nuance in discussion of cultural issues.	Uses good knowledge of other cultures or other periods of same culture to demonstrate understanding. Demonstrates excellent understanding of cultural issues.	Relies on stereotypes or over-generalizations in discussion of cultural comparisons. Over-generalizes and lacks precision in discussion of cultural issues	Cannot or incorrectly makes comparisons to other cultures. Demonstrates lack of understanding of cultural issues.