Political Cartoon Enlightened Despot

1. **Review:** Take notes on the major beliefs of each E.D.
2. **Reflection:** What is your opinion of each E.D. and their beliefs? Consider why you feel the way you do.
3. **Create:** Design two **political cartoons** (pick 2 E.D.) that centers on their major ideas set forth during this time period. Decide how you can best extend your views using color, creativity and symbolism. Consider motives, effects, details, etc.
4. **Complete:** In addition to a completed political cartoon, you must turn in a 100-150 word **written explanation** of your finished product. Explain the cartoon’s…
	1. Position
	2. Message
	3. Symbolism / Key Items, Figures
	4. Words on Dialogue

You will be graded on the following rubric…

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| Categories | Beyond Expectations:2 points |  Meets Expectations:**1 point** | Below Expectations:1-0 points |
| **Focus Topic: How clear is your topic of influence?** | Topic is clear to the audience | Topic is somewhat clear to the audience | Topic is not clear to the audience |
| **Cartoon Influence: How clear is the argument of the political cartoon?**  | Argument is clear to the audience | Argument is somewhat clear to the audience | Argument is confusing to the audience |
| **Methods of Persuasion: Cartoon uses historically relevant topics, as well as colorful symbols/art and effective language** | Cartoon has historically relevant information and contains effective symbols and strong language that supports the argument | Cartoon has historically relevant information and contains a few symbols and language that relates to the argument | Cartoon is not historically relevant and contains few/no symbols or language that are unrelated to the argument |
| Effectiveness of Cartoon: How effective is the cartoon at extending the views of their E.D.’s?  | Cartoon is convincing in its attempt to mold the audience’s opinion about the topic | Poster is somewhat convincing in its attempt to mold the audience’s opinion about the topic | Poster is not convincing |
| Overall Appearance: Cartoon includes color, is neat, organized and creative | Appearance includes color, is neat, organized and creative | Appearance includes color, is somewhat neat, organized and creative | Appearance has little or no color, is messy, unorganized and lacks creativity |
| **Written Explanation: Effectively explains the cartoon in 100-150 words and touches on all necessary categories.** | Is 100-150 words and effectively explains the details of the cartoon. Touches on all required aspects of the cartoon. | Is 100-150 words and somewhat effectively explains the details of the cartoon. Includes most of the required categories. | Is less than 100-150 words and fails to effectively explain the details of the cartoon. Does not explain many required categories. |

Total Points: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ / 12