

**The Election of Franklin Delano Roosevelt in 1932**

FDR was elected in 1932 to turn the country around after it had been rocked by the Great Depression. He would remain America’s president until his death in 1944. He has been considered to be one of the greatest leaders in world history. For this assignment you must do the following;

**Decide why Roosevelt was the right leader for the American people in 1932? In your answer, you should include information about the following;**

- a. **His policies**
- b. **The political climate of the time (i.e. what his predecessors had done wrong)**
- c. **His personality**

This assignment should be presented in a 5 paragraph, historical essay. Include a strong, highlighted thesis statement.

**Assessment Rubric**

|                                                           | <b>Exceeds Expectations</b>                                                                                                                                              | <b>Meets Expectations</b>                                                                 | <b>Approaching Expectations</b>                                                                                       | <b>Incomplete/Does Not Meet Expectations</b>                                                                           |
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| <b>Historical Essay Format and Thesis Statement</b>       | Information is organized in 5 high quality paragraphs, with topic sentences and a strong thesis statement                                                                | Information is in 5 paragraphs and there is a clear, highlighted thesis statement         | Information is formatted into paragraphs and there is a sentence that could be the thesis                             | Information is formatted into paragraphs                                                                               |
| <b>Description of FDR’s policies (i.e. New Deal)</b>      | There is a thorough description of all of FDR’s policies to deal with the Great Depression                                                                               | There is a description of each of FDR’s policies, but some are discussed more than others | Some of FDR’s policies have been discussed                                                                            | None of FDR’s policies have been discussed                                                                             |
| <b>Consideration of the political climate at the time</b> | There is discussion present on how previous presidents tried to deal with the depression and how the lives of American at the time helped lead them towards electing FDR | There is discussion present on how previous presidents dealt with the Great Depression    | There is limited discussion on what previous presidents did and some discussion on the lives of Americans at the time | There is no representation on how the lives of the people at the time influenced their decision in the election of FDR |
| <b>Discussion of FDR’s personality</b>                    | There is great discussion on FDR’s personality and how it influenced people to want to vote for him                                                                      | There is good discussion on FDR’s personality                                             | There is some discussion on FDR’s personality                                                                         | There is no discussion on FDR’s personality                                                                            |

**Total: /20 marks**