

Option Choice: How to Answer

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Learning Intentions

- We are learning how to answer an Option Choice question.

Success Criteria

- I can use the correct structure for an Option Choice question.
- I can successfully identify key evidence from sources.
- I can make links between evidence from different sources.
- In this question, you will be given a scenario and two potential options.
- You have to use the three sources provided to justify the option you have selected as well as why you rejected the other option.
- Neither option is wrong - you could choose either of them.

Before you start to write your answer, get 2 different colours of highlighters. Highlight the information which supports Option 1 in one colour and the information which supports Option 2 in a different colour. Choose which option you think you could support the best using the information in the sources. **It is NOT about your personal opinion.**

The question asks you to -

1. State which option you have chosen, e.g. *'I have chosen option 2'*.
This section does not get you any marks but without it you could get 0 marks.
2. Give detailed reasons from the sources to support your choice. Aim for between 6 and 8 pieces of evidence; this will get you 6 to 8 marks. Where there are clear links between different pieces of evidence you can link them, e.g. *"Source 1 says '...' and this is backed up in source 2 where it shows '...'"*
3. Give detailed reasons why you have **rejected the other choice**. In this section, you must provide a reason **why you did not choose the other option**. Look for a flaw in the other option - you should be able to find evidence from the sources that makes this clear. Aim for 2-4 pieces of evidence; this will get you 2-4 marks.
If you miss this section out, your overall answer will be capped at 8 marks.
E.g. I could have selected this option because source 1 says.... But I didn't because this in source 3 it says...

Remember!

You must use all three sources in your answer.

Do not change your decision half way through.

Full marks are available for either option.

Answer Template

I have chosen Option _

One reason to support Option _ is in Source _ where it says ".....". This is backed up in Source _ which shows ".....".

Another reason to support Option _ is in Source _ where it says ".....". This is backed up in Source _ which shows ".....".

Another reason to support Option _ is in Source _ where it says ".....". This is backed up in Source _ which shows ".....".

One reason I have could have selected Option _ is because Source _ shows "....." however did not because in Source _ it says ".....".

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