

Why should the slave trade be abolished? - Speech

Target Skill: Diversity, Empathy and Use of Evidence

Word Limit: 850-1000 words

WHAT YOU NEED TO DO TO COMPLETE THE TASK:

Members of Parliament had to be persuaded to introduce a law to ban the slave trade. Imagine you are helping Thomas Clarkson to write the parliamentary speech. You need to use the evidence you have collected to persuade Members of Parliament to abolish the slave trade. Write a speech that addresses the five arguments used to defend the slave trade. You need the MPs to do more than simply listen and agree with what you are saying. You need to persuade them to take action!

ARGUMENTS YOU NEED TO CRITICISE:

1. White people are superior to Africans who are less skilled—therefore we can do what we want with them.	2. The slave trade makes a lot of money for Britain. It has to continue. Africa is undeveloped – no other type of trade is possible.	3. Slave are not captured cruelly, Most slaves are already prisoners of war. They would be killed anyway.	4. Conditions on the slave ships are good.	5. Enslaved Africans are well treated on the plantations.
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WHAT YOU NEED TO DO TO ACHIEVE A LEVEL:

Level 4: (1-5 marks)

Your speech **describes** some of the main arguments used to defend the slave trade and you have **begun to use evidence** to criticise those arguments. You have also **begun to describe and use** the diverse feelings, attitudes and experiences of those who are involved in the slave trade to help persuade your audience to abolish the slave trade.

Level 5: (6-12 marks)

Your speech **explains** the main arguments used to defend the slave trade and you have **begun to examine the evidence** to criticise those arguments. You have also **explained and used** the diverse feelings, attitudes and experiences of those who are involved in the slave trade to help persuade your audience to abolish the slave trade.

Level 6: (13-17 marks)

Your speech **examines** the main arguments used to defend the slave trade and you have **evaluated the evidence** to criticise those arguments. You have also **examined and used** the diverse feelings, attitudes and experiences of those who are involved in the slave trade to help persuade your audience to abolish the slave trade.

Level 7: (18-20 marks)

Your speech **evaluates** the main arguments used to defend the slave trade and you have **critically evaluated** the evidence to criticise those arguments. You have also **evaluated and used** the diverse feelings, attitudes and experiences of those who are involved in the slave trade to help persuade your audience to abolish the slave trade.

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