**HST 103 West and the World: 1st** **Primary Source Analysis**

Historians must understand how events started and influenced history. Primary sources are our key to understanding the past, written by people who participated or observed events as they unfolded. Primary sources allow historians to make informed judgements and commentary about history. *You must read the one of the four primary sources below, and answer the question in detail.*

You should also consider looking at secondary sources to flesh your answer out- please use either Chicago Manual of Style (footnoting) OR MLA (in-text citations) to cite all of your secondary sources.

Chicago: <https://www.chicagomanualofstyle.org/tools_citationguide/citation-guide-1.html>

MLA: <https://owl.purdue.edu/owl/research_and_citation/mla_style/mla_formatting_and_style_guide/mla_formatting_and_style_guide.html>

The paper should be 3 pages long, roughly 700-750 words. Do not write a paper that is 600 words or 1000 words and try to pass it off as though it meets the parameter of the assignment. Your paper must be Size 12 Times New Roman (black) font, double spaced, and stapled.

**The Due Date of the Assignment is March 4 (in class).**

*(the primary source options are located on the 2nd page)*

**OPTION 1**:

Bismarck’s Blood and Iron Speech (1862):

<http://germanhistorydocs.ghi-dc.org/pdf/eng/1_C_NS_Bismarck.pdf>

*Why did Bismarck believe that "blood and iron" would be necessary to create Germany?*