Craft A Historical Question

DIRECTIONS: You will be writing a historical inquiry question. Use the prompts below to help you write and revise your question.

Write down your topic:

Circle what you are hoping to learn from your research:
- Causes of your topic?
- Consequences of your topic?
- Why your topic is important to today?
- Why it was important at the time?
- How/Why things stayed the same?
- How/Why things changed?
- Comparing two things?
- Other?

Write your 1st draft of the question:

Write your 2nd draft of the question:

HINT: Use one of the "Sentence Frames" for inspiration

HINT: Check the "Evaluate your Question" section

☑ The question is clear and it makes sense.
☑ It is related to the topic.
☑ There are multiple ways of answering the question.
☑ It is interesting and important.

Final Research Question:

PARTNER CHECK TIME!

Partner Name: __________________________

Date: __________________________

History SOURCE
**Sentence Frames**

- **Cause and consequence**
  - What led to ____?
  - To what extent did ____ influence ____?
  - Why did ____ happen?
  - What role did ____ play in ____?

- **Comparison**
  - Why are ____ and ____ similar/different?
  - In what ways are ____ similar/different?
  - What factors are responsible for the similarities/differences between ____ and ____?
  - What were the different views held by ____ about ____?
  - Why were perspectives on ____ the same/different?

- **Continuity and change over time**
  - In what ways do the views of ____ show continuity/change in ____?
  - How does ____ event show continuity/change in ____?
  - How and why was there change/continuity between ____ and ____?

- **Significance**
  - Why was ____ significant?
  - What do the sources tell us about ____?
  - How did ____ challenge the common views of ____?
  - What can we learn from ____?
  - In what ways is this important to ____?

**Evaluate Your Question**

- Is the question clear? Does it make sense?
- Is it related to my topic?
- Does my question have multiple possible answers?
- Is it an important topic from its time period OR for today?
- BONUS: Do I already have sources that might help me answer this question?