Big Era 3 Alternative Assessments:

ONLY available for formative assessment points; okay to do more than 1

* 0-10 pts Find a current article or a news story about something related to class (archaeological discovery, collective learning/exchanging of ideas, etc.) and write a summary about it as well as an explanation of how it relates to World History class. Include the link of the article. 1 page: up to 10 points (max of 2 articles)
* 0-20 pts Read part of chapter 4 (Farmer Power) of *Guns, Germs, and Steel* (p. 86-92) and write an essay: 4 paragraph (minimum) essay answering the following question:

**How did food production change the advancement of humans?**

* Must be typed and shared via Google docs
* 1 page
* Must cite evidence from the text to support your claims
* Must explain how the evidence supports your claims
* Should have at least 2 explanations for why Jared Diamond believes food production resulted in the division between societies between those who advanced and those who did not.
* 0-25 pts Write a lesson plan about 1 of the following:
  + Collective Learning and the development of agriculture and early civilizations
  + Comparing Hunters/gatherers to farmer
  + Comparing Pastoralists to farmers
    - The lesson has to include an introduction, activity, assessment, and closer.
    - You must have an essential question and purpose
    - See the outline on the website
* 0-20 pts Write a detailed explanation OR make a detailed slide show outlining the process of domestication and how selective breeding works. Give an example of a plant AND an animal. What traits made them ideal for domestication initially? What did they breed for? What are they like today? How do we continue to change what traits we want?
* 0-20 Find a picture of an artifact from the civilization you researched for your slide presentation. Create a slideshow. Describe the artifact. Explain, in depth:
  + What is it
  + What is it made out of
  + What was it used for **MORE ON BACK→**
  + Why it is important to your civilization (why did you choose this)
  + What does it tell us about your civilization
    - Think about the materials used to produce it
    - Who would have used it and how
    - What does it tell us about society
  + Include a picture of the artifact (creativity is preferred…)
  + Answer each of the questions on the slides