

Study the image below.

The image shown below is of Mount Oso, a volcano in Japan.



Mount Oso, a Volcano in Japan. IRC, 2005. Discovery Education. Web.

Japan consists of four major islands, and four-fifths of its land area is covered by mountains.

- How did these facts influence Japan's political development?

Be sure to provide examples and details in your answer.

Scoring Rubric

<p style="text-align: center;">EXEMPLARY</p> <p>An exemplary response reveals comprehensive understanding of the content. The response:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">-provides a clear, accurate, and thorough explanation of the relationship between Japan's geography and its political development-provides specific, relevant, and accurate details supporting the explanation-contains no misconceptions or content errors
<p style="text-align: center;">PROFICIENT</p> <p>A proficient response reveals some understanding of the content. The response:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">-provides a clear and accurate explanation of the relationship between Japan's geography and its political development-provides relevant and accurate details supporting the explanation-contains no misconceptions or content errors
<p style="text-align: center;">BASIC</p> <p>A basic response reveals knowledge of the content. The response:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">-provides a basic explanation of the relationship between Japan's geography and its political development-provides some accurate details supporting the explanation-contains minimal interfering misconceptions or content errors
<p style="text-align: center;">UNSATISFACTORY</p> <p>An unsatisfactory response reveals minimal knowledge of the content. The response:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">-features an incomplete or uneven argument about content related to the question-provides some information relevant to the topic of the question-contains significant misconceptions or content errors
<p style="text-align: center;">NO RESPONSE/IRRELEVANT RESPONSE</p> <p>The student provides a completely incorrect or irrelevant response or does not respond at all.</p>