

# Islamic Medicine: Changes and Developments

## PROMPT SHEET 1

### Question: How useful is Source 1?

Avoid simply repeating what the source tells you.

**Example:** The Source is useful because it tells us that Rhazes understood the difference between smallpox and measles.

Draw on your own knowledge to explain the importance of the source.

**Example:** The Source is useful because it tells us that Rhazes understood the difference between smallpox and measles. This shows us that Rhazes developed medical understanding as this observation hadn't been made before.

Try not to simply point out what is missing from the source.

**Example:** The source doesn't tell us how Rhazes established this theory.

DO point out what is missing AND fill in the gaps yourself.

**Example:** The source doesn't fully explain that Rhazes came to this conclusion after following the guidance of Hippocrates and carefully observing and recording the symptoms of his patients.

### **THINK carefully about the structure of your answer.**

Suggested structure

The source is useful because... explain the strengths of the source.

However the source... explain what the source does not tell us.

Where relevant question the reliability of the source.

Make your own conclusions based on the above.

### **Now write your own answer to the question.**

When you've finished consult this Checklist and make appropriate changes:

You have stated

- That the source is valuable in some ways AND explained this.
- That the source doesn't tell the reader everything AND filled in the missing gaps.
- That the source, in your opinion is/ isn't very useful BECAUSE...