DBQ—Examining Primary Sources

As the times and the course of things in our country have changed, it is essential to promote the advancement of all our academic and technical knowledge and to prevent it from succumbing to competition from the outside. In order to achieve this, it is imperative to make haste in education so that knowledge and ability will increase.

> King Chulalongkorn (Siam), _ "Royal Proclamation in Education"

1. Based on the excerpt, did the king of Siam place much value on education?

2. Why did King Chulalongkorn believe that haste was important?

3. How does the king's stance on education compare with modern views of education?