

Section I

Answer 1 of the following questions: (4/20) ( 2 pages , single space)

1. Todd Fraley (Chapter 14 - "The Revolution Will be Televised: Free Speech TV, Democratic Communication and the Public Sphere) and Virginia Nightingale (Chapter 15 - "Lost in Space: Television's Missing Publics") both discuss how new forms of television may or may not constitute a healthy public sphere. Summarize each argument using specific examples from the text, then briefly compare their perspectives about television's role in the public sphere.
2. In Chapter 16 ("From Public Sphere to Civic Culture: Young Citizens' Internet Use"), Dahlgren & Olsson use the concept of *civic cultures* to understand young citizens' internet use. How do Dahlgren & Olsson define civic cultures? Be sure to identify and discuss at least 3 of the 5 elements of civic cultures, as identified in the text.
- 3. In Chapter 15 ("Lost in Space: Television's Missing Publics"), Virginia Nightingale compares traditional broadcast TV with new television formats that have resulted from TV's convergence with digital media (such as the internet). Using specific examples from the text, summarize her argument about how each form - broadcast TV vs. digital-convergence TV - does or does not contribute to the formation of a healthy public sphere.

Section II

Answer 4 of the following questions: (each answer is worth 4/20)

- 1. Relying in the guest lecture on the Egyptian Spring, identify and explain three enemies of civil society that contributed to the weakening of the public sphere. What was the role of social media in the case of the Egyptian Spring?( 2-3 pages , single space).
- 2. What are the three stages of moral development that Habermas borrowed from Kohlberg? Explain them and explain the relevance to modern society according to Habermas. How do these stages compare to Lerner's three personality types in The Middle East? (1.5-2 pages, single space)
- 3. How is a well-ordered political system possible? What makes laws, policies, and political decisions legitimate? (2 pages, single space)
- 4. According to Habermas, why morality trumps Ethics? And how is morality related to democracy and modern society? While answering, make sure to compare morality and ethics and their functions.. (2-3 pages, single space)