

HIS1111A FINAL EXAMINATION (30 points)

A. Define, Describe, Contextualize, and explain the Significance of two (2) of six (6) terms (from the following list of 10). (10 points) *(1 page—double spaced)*.

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| 1. Ostpolitik | 5. The Berlin Wall | 8. The Falkland Islands |
| 2. Apartheid | 6. Peronism | 9. Dien Bien Phu |
| 3. Détente | 7. Mujahideen | 10. The Northern Lights |
| 4. Woodstock | | ↳ music |

B. Answer one (1) of the following three (3) questions. Make certain to address all the elements in the question. Each answer should be approximately 4-6 double-spaced pages in length. (10 points)

1. Latin America is a continent with a long tradition of violence and instability. These features have in turn affected the manner in which Latin America has developed. Are the reasons for its lack of democratic traditions exclusively internal? Caused by interference from abroad? A combination of the two? Answer by making reference to developments in at least one Latin American country.

2. Beginning in the mid 1970s, African nations attempted to implement a number of strategies to overcome the economic problems they were facing. Discuss the reasons for these crises and the manner in which African nations tried to resolve them. Did they succeed or fail?

3. In the period following the end of the Second World War, the Arab world and the State of Israel faced off against one another in a series of conflicts. Select one of these conflicts, describing the context, the reasons for the conflict, the aspirations of the major combatants, and the results.

C. Answer one (1) of the following two (2) questions. Make certain to address all the elements in the question. Each answer should be approximately 4-6 double-spaced pages in length. (10 points)

1. Since the collapse of the Soviet Union, scholars have engaged in heated debates concerning the reasons that caused the breakup of such a long-established and politically-influential entity. What do you consider to be the reasons that most contributed to the collapse of the USSR? Why? Discuss.

2. "The problems that the US has confronted since the end of the Cold War are of their own making." Do you agree or disagree with this statement? Explain, making reference to the manner in which American Cold War positions and actions have shaped the post Cold War world.