Ways to Study for the American History II NC Final exam

*I know it is not always fun to study, but please remember that this test will have a significant impact on your grade (20% to be exact!). You have worked hard all semester, keep it up! Do your best to set time each day to study for the test. If nothing else, I would greatly appreciate it.*

Study Resources:

1) **Look over old study guides and tests.** It’s a good idea to look over all units to refresh your memory but you should also decide which units you feel least comfortable with and focus your studying on those units. One suggestion—think about the in class practice NCFE we did. What goals or units did you struggle most with? Direct your studying to those units first. Cover the answer to see if you can answer it without looking or, better yet- have someone verbally ask you the question and you respond verbally. While you are doing this, think about possible variations of the question that you might see.

2) **Study old extra credit vocab**. If you’ve already done the vocab for each unit- try making it into flash card form for easier studying. Put the definition on one side and the term on the other. Quiz yourself. Make two piles, one for definitions you know and one for definitions you don’t. Keep trying those that are in your “didn’t get” pile until you get them. Also try having someone else call the terms out to you to see if you can verbally explain the definition—this way you know you aren’t cheating yourself. If you didn’t do the extra credit vocab throughout the year, you can still look back over the terms and make flashcards for ones you don’t know. Remember, old unit outlines are still on my website so you can get the words.

3) **Monster Review Packet:** A great overview of the AH II curriculum that hits the high points. This is available on my website. I recommend going through the packet while answering the questions (see Monster Packet Questions) on my website. This is also something that could be nice to look over the night before or even the morning of the exam for one quick refresher.

4) **Practice, practice, practice**! Your online textbook has study questions (multiple choice) and a “practice test” for each chapter. Do these! Terrific resource as they explain the correct answer. Below I’ve also linked some other interactive practice question sites. Remember, for American History II- you should only study 1877-present. Some of the websites below might have questions pertaining to the earlier part of American History, ignore those.

Websites with Practice Questions:

<http://www.historyteacher.net/USQuizMainPage.htm>

<http://regentsprep.org/Regents/core/questions/topics.cfm?Course=USHG>

<http://www.phschool.com/curriculum_support/brief_review/us_history/index.html>

<http://www.phschool.com/curriculum_support/brief_review/us_history/index.html>

<http://www.tea.state.tx.us/student.assessment/resources/online/2001/eoc/ushistory.html>

<http://historyteacher.net/AmericanHistoryAndGovernment/ReviewMaterials/us_history_regents_review_sheet.htm>

\*Remember, for AH II you only need to focus on 1877-present. Ignore any practice questions from earlier material, that will be covered in AHI.

OTHER HINTS:

1. Bring two #2 pencils to class
2. Check that you have not skipped any questions or made random pencil marks. Be sure to erase any stray marks or changed answers completed.
3. Read the Constructed Response questions carefully. If there is a document or chart, be sure to read that thoroughly at least twice before you start answering the question. Don’t sell yourself short, go ahead and write ALL that you know. You should have plenty of time. Once you’ve written your CR answer, read the question one more time, then read your answer—did you answer all parts of the question? Did you give the correct number of examples or details? When in doubt, it’s always a good idea to write MORE than what is asked for.
4. Simply try your best! We have worked hard this year and if you put the time in to study you should do well.

**Thank you for putting forth the effort; You Have done a good job this semester**

**Tricky Exam Words Made Not-So Tricky!!**

**Discredit-** speak out against; talk bad about.

Example: Myra would never discredit Ms. H’s U.S. History class, she enjoys it.

**Depict-** show

Example: The song “Whatever you like” by Lil Wayne depicts how Lil Wayne will treat his women

**Portray-** show

Example: George Bush was often portrayed as a bad President in the news.

**Obtain-** get; keep

Example: DeShaun wants to obtain a college degree.

**Disprove**- prove wrong; saying something is not true.

Example: Tiffany disproved Shayne’s idea that math is more fun than US History.

**Amend-** change

Example: Sam would like Ms. H to amend her class rules to not include tardies.

**Seize-** take; get by force

Example: Desmond said he was going to seize Ms. H’s pencil collection.

**Oppose-** go against

Example: I am very opposed to lowering teacher pay. I might even go speak out against it at the meeting next week.

**Coordinate-** organize; get together

Example: Alex is going to coordinate a class party and tell everyone what to bring.

**Profound-** big; large; usually means big impact

Example: Jay-Z has had a profound impact on rap music.

**Fueled-** helped; encouraged

Example: The fight between Biggie and Tupac was fueled by one talking about the other.

**Vast-** big

Example: There is a vast difference between country music and rap.

**Denounce-** speak out against

Example: Many people in this school denounce the Duke Blue Devils.

**Fundamental-** basic

Example: Michael Jordan definitely knows the fundamentals of how to play basketball.

**Innovative-** creative; Innovate means to start something new

Example: The new car that Lexus came out with is very innovative, it parks the car for you!

**Erode-** disappear, go away slowly.

Example: The shoreline on the NC coast is starting to erode due to recent hurricanes taking away sand.

**UNIT KEY TERMS**

**UNIT 1**

1. Wounded Knee 2. Dawes Act 3. Treaty of Fort Laramie 4. Homestead Act

5. Exodusters 6. The Grange 7. Populism 8. William Jennings Bryan

# 9. Bimetallism 10. Assimilation 11. Transcontinental Railroad 12. Vertical/Horizontal Int.

13. Andrew Carnegie 14. Social Darwinism 15. John D. Rockefeller 16. Sherman Antitrust Act

17. Samuel Gompers 18. Eugene V. Debs 19. American Federation of Labor (AFL)

20. Industrial Workers of the World (IWW) 21. Laissez Faire 22. Robber Barons

**UNITS 2& 3**

1. Ellis Island 2. Chinese Exclusion Act 3. nativism 4. tenements

5. conservation 6. Jane Addams 7. political machine 8. Boss Tweed

9. patronage 10. The Tuskegee Institute 11. Ida B. Wells 12. Jim Crow laws

13. 16th,17th,18th,19th Amendments 14. prohibition 15. muckrakers

16. Robert LaFollette 17. William H. Taft 18. Susan B. Anthony 19. *The Jungle*

20. Theodore Roosevelt 21. Square Deal 22. the Meat Inspection Act 23. the NAACP

24. *Plessy v. Ferguson* 25.Gentlemen’s Agreement26 W.E.B. DuBois27. Clayton Antitrust Act 28.Booker T. Washington

**UNIT 4**

1. Alfred T. Mahan 2. Imperialism 3. William Seward 4. Yellow Journalism 5. *U.S.S. Maine*

6. Emilio Aguinaldo 7. Queen Liliukalani 8. Great White Fleet 9. *Schenck v. US* 10. Propaganda

11. Open Door policy 12. Dollar Diplomacy 13. Roosevelt Corollary 14. Panama Canal 15. Nationalism

16. Franz Ferdinand 17. *Lusitania* 18.Zimmerman note 19. Boxer Rebellion 20. Armistice

21. War Industries Board 22. Espionage & Sedition Act

23. “Great Migration” 24. Treaty of Versailles 25. Fourteen Points 26. League of Nations

27. Selective Service Act 28. Platt Amendment

**UNIT 5**

1. Sacco and Vanzetti 2. Charles Lindbergh 3. the Model T 4. Return to Normalcy

5. Teapot Dome Scandal 6. Works Project Administration 7. National Industry Recovery Act

8. Tennessee Valley Authority 9. “Lost Generation” 10. Langston Hughes 10 ½. Palmer Raids

11. Court Packing Scheme 12. Fireside Chats 13. Black Tuesday 14. Bootleggers

15. Dust Bowl 16. the Bonus Army 17. Civilian Conservation Corps

18. Duke Ellington 19. Emergency Quota Act 20. Speakeasies 21. Harlem Renaissance

22. the FDIC 23. “Business of America is Business” 24. Fundamentalism

25. Flappers 26. buying on margin 27. Marcus Garvey 28. Hoovervilles

29. the Bonus Army 30. Scopes Monkey Trial 31. Isolationism 32. First Red Scare

**UNIT 6**

1. Totalitarianism 2. Benito Mussolini 3. Joseph Stalin 4. Adolf Hitler

5. Appeasement 6. *blitzkrieg* 7. Winston Churchill 8. Stalingrad

8. Lend-Lease Act 9. Concentration Camp 10. *Kristallnacht* 11.Holocaust

12.Island-hopping 13. Manhattan Project 14. Pearl Harbor 15. Rationing

16. D-Day 17. George Patton 18. Eisenhower 19. Douglas MacArthur

20. Hiroshima & Nagasaki 21. Nuremberg Trials 22. GI Bill of Rights

23. Japanese Internment Camps 24. Containment 25. Cold War 26. Marshall Plan

27. Truman Doctrine 28. United Nations 29. NATO 30. Korean War 31. HUAC

32. Joseph McCarthy 33. Brinkmanship 34. Yalta Conference 35. *Korematsu v. US*

36. Rosie the Riveter 37. Neutrality Acts 38. WAC 39. Battle of Midway

**UNITS 7 & 8**

1) GI Bill of Rights 2) *The Feminine Mystique* 3) Baby Boom 4) Fidel Castro

5) Cuban Missile Crisis 6) New Frontier 7) Warren Court 8) Great Society

9) Medicare & Medicaid 10) *Brown v. Board of Ed.* 11) MLK Jr (SCLC)

12) Thurgood Marshall 13) Civil Rights Act of 1964 14) Little Rock Nine 15) Stokeley Carmichael (SNCC)

16) Malcolm X 17) Ho Chi Minh 18) JFK 19) Bay of Pigs Invasion

20) Tonkin Gulf Resolution 21) Tet Offensive 22) My Lai Massacre

23) Pentagon Papers 24) Cesar Chavez 25) Levittown 26) Conformity

27) Beat Movement 28) counter-culture 29) Sputnik 30) Peace Corps

31) Berlin Wall 32) Montgomery Bus Boycott 33) Greensboro Sit-in 34) 1968

35) Domino Theory 36) Kent State Protests 37) Khrushchev 38) *Roe v. Wade*

39) Woodstock

**UNIT 9**

1) OPEC 2) détente 3) stagflation 4) Watergate

5) Iran Hostage Crisis 6) Camp David Accords 7) Three Mile Island 8) Rachel Carson

9) Affirmative Action 10) Moral Majority 11) Reaganomics 12) Sunbelt

13) Jesse Jackson 14) AIDS 15) *glasnost* & *perestroika*

16) Tiananmen Square 17) Graying of America 18) Operation Desert Storm

19) Mikhail Gorbachev 20) NAFTA 21) Contract w/ America

22) Sandra Day O’Connor 23) War on Terror