

Answers to the essay questions are to be written in the separate essay booklet.

In developing your answer to Part II, be sure to keep these general definitions in mind:

- (a) **describe** means “to illustrate something in words or tell about it”
- (b) **explain** means “to make plain or understandable; to give reasons for or causes of; to show the logical development or relationships of”
- (c) **discuss** means “to make observations about something using facts, reasoning, and argument; to present in some detail”

Part II

THEMATIC ESSAY QUESTION

Directions: Write a well-organized essay that includes an introduction, several paragraphs addressing the task below, and a conclusion.

Theme: Political Change

Often, governments implement policies in an attempt to change society.

Task:

Choose **one** example from global history where a government attempted to change society and

- Describe the change the government wanted to bring about
- Explain why the government wanted to make this change
- Describe **one** specific policy the government used to try to bring about this change
- Discuss the extent to which this change was achieved

You may use any example of governmental change from your study of global history. Some suggestions you might wish to consider include efforts to strengthen the Empire of Mali under Mansa Musa, Reformation in England under Henry VIII, westernization of Russia under Peter the Great, Reign of Terror during the French Revolution under Robespierre, Meiji Restoration in Japan under the Emperor Meiji, modernization of Turkey under Atatürk, five-year plans in the Soviet Union under Joseph Stalin, fascism in Italy under Benito Mussolini, and oil policies in Venezuela under Hugo Chávez. **Although you are not limited to these suggestions, you may not use communism under Mao Zedong or Deng Xiaoping as your example of governmental change.**

Do not use an example of governmental change in the United States as your answer.

Guidelines:

In your essay, be sure to

- Develop all aspects of the task
- Support the theme with relevant facts, examples, and details
- Use a logical and clear plan of organization, including an introduction and a conclusion that are beyond a restatement of the theme