

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) **explain** means “to make plain or understandable; to give reasons for or causes of; to show the logical development or relationships of”
- (b) **describe** means “to illustrate something in words or tell about it”
- (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: Human Rights

Throughout history, there have been many examples where groups of people have been denied their human rights. Individuals, groups, and governments have attempted to end many of these human rights violations although they have not always been successful.

Task:

Select **two** different examples from history where human rights have been denied to groups of people and for **each**

- Explain the historical circumstances that led to the denial of human rights
- Describe how the human rights of that group were denied
- Discuss an action taken by an individual, a group, or a government that attempted to end the human rights violations

You may use any example of human rights violations from your study of global history. Some suggestions you might wish to consider include the indigenous people in Latin America during the Encounter, Jews in Russia during the pogroms, the Armenians under the Ottomans, blacks under apartheid in South Africa, Chinese students in Tiananmen Square, Bosnian Muslims in the former Yugoslavia, and women under the Taliban in Afghanistan.

You are *not* limited to these suggestions.

Do not use examples of human rights violations that occurred in the United States in 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