

## US History – Midterm Study Guide

Fall 2013

### **Midterm Exam Details**

- Covers chapters 1, 2, 4, 5 & 6 of your textbook
- 25 matching, 35 multiple choice, 7 short essay (you choose 4): 80 points total
- Thursday, November 7<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 AM (3<sup>rd</sup>) // Friday, November 8<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 AM (5<sup>th</sup>)

### **Concepts/Terms you should know/be able to explain**

*(pertains to multiple choice/essays—vocabulary for matching section is taken from throughout each chapter)*

#### **Discovering America (Ch. 1)**

- Mercantilist theory
- Reason for switch to slave labor in 1670s Virginia
- Financiers of Columbus' voyage across the Atlantic
- Quaker beliefs
- Stono Rebellion
- Impact of European-introduced smallpox on Native American populations
- Reasons for establishment of triangular trade
- Origins & motivation of first people to settle on American continent

#### **The American Revolution (Ch. 2)**

- Importance of the Battle of Saratoga
- Origins of the Continental Army
- Reasons for surprise attack led by Washington in New Jersey
- Purpose of Albany Conference
- Methods of protesting Stamp Act
- Colonial formation of committees of correspondence
- Overall causes of the Revolutionary War
- Effects of war on nationalist feelings

#### **Federalists & Republicans (Ch. 4)**

- Jay's Treaty & XYZ Affair
- Washington's theory of political parties
- Macon's Bill Number Two
- 10<sup>th</sup> Amendment
- Method by which U.S. gained Louisiana Territory
- Francis Scott Key & the Star Spangled Banner—when did he write it?
- Election of 1800: nominees, winners, & significance of the election

#### **Growth & Division (Ch. 5)**

- Reasons for and terms of the Missouri Compromise
- Presidential election of 1828 – who were the candidates?
- Impact of Supreme Court rulings between 1816 & 1824
- Benefits of the steamboat
- Cotton gin
- Adams-Onis Treaty of 1819
- Labor systems used to organize enslaved African-Americans
- Importance of Monroe Doctrine
- Legal status of enslaved people under state slave codes

#### **The Spirit of Reform (Ch. 6)**

- Crusaders for improvement of prison conditions
- Passing of the gag rule in Congress—why?
- Settlement patterns of German immigrants
- Theory of gradualism
- Positions of the North regarding slavery & abolitionism
- Second Great Awakening
- Types of reform during the era
- Events that led to the emergence of the first women's movement