Basic US History

2015 Midterm Exam

Study Guide

***Suggestions for studying for your Midterm exam:***

1. Find a quiet place without distractions for you to study.

2. Assemble the homework, handouts, and notes you completed during the first semester.

3. Go through the list of information below and identify the items you know and the items you don’t know.

 > Check off the items you know in the list – you don’t need to study them again!

 > Highlight the items in the list you DON’T know – these are the ones you need to look up!

4. Write out identifications for the items you don’t know. Use flashcards, write them out, type them,

use an online study aide like “Quizlet” – whatever works best for you!

5. Quiz yourself or have someone else quiz you on the items you didn’t initially know at least once the night before the exam.

6. ***PLEASE TAKE NOTE:*** If you write out identifications of the items you don’t know right now on your study guide, you will most likely earn a higher score on your exam AND you will be able to use it for the last five minutes of the exam period to check and/or look up anything you’ve forgotten!

You should know the locations on the LA Purchase Map

You should be able to identify/describe/explain the following:

**Unit 1 - Colonial Era**

the Pueblo

the Inuit

the Columbian Exchange

Roanoke

John Rolfe; Jamestown; tobacco

Starving Time

House of Burgesses

Henry Hudson

Pilgrims; Mayflower Compact

Puritans; Massachusetts Bay Colony

reasons for settling in America

William Penn; Quakers; Pennsylvania

Roger Williams; Rhode Island

causes of the French and Indian War

effects of French and Indian War

Fort Duquesne; George Washington

regional colonial economies

plantation

**Unit 2 - The American Revolution**

salutary neglect

Proclamation of 1763

tariff

Boston Massacre

Townshend Acts

Committees of Correspondence

Sons of Liberty

“Minutemen”

Battle of Lexington and Concord

“The Shot Heard ‘Round the World”

Battle of Bunker Hill

Olive Branch Petition

Common Sense

purpose of the Declaration of Independence

Loyalists v. Patriots

General George Washington

Valley Forge

**Unit 3 - Constitution and Voting**

Land Ordinance of 1785

the Bill of Rights

branch of government that makes laws

term of the House of Representatives

leader of the House of Representatives

minimum age for a member of the House of Representatives

how the number of reps at state has is determined

minimum age to be President

citizenship and residency requirements for Pres

term of office for the President

the number of Supreme Court justices

13th Amendment

number of Senators each state has

leader of the Senate

total number of Senators

who is in the Executive Branch

commander-in-chief of the military

branch of the federal government that has the power to declare war

**Unit 4 - The New Nation**

Alexander Hamilton’s financial program

X, Y, Z Affair

Alien and Sedition Acts

Louisiana Purchase; Napoleon

Sacagawea

War of 1812/nationalism

Samuel Morse; telegraph

change in production processes

Erie Canal

Samuel Slater