

3. Compare economic liberalization policies in two different AP Comparative Government and Politics course countries. In your response, you should do the following:
- (A) Define economic liberalization.
- (B) Describe an economic liberalization policy in two different AP Comparative Government and Politics course countries.
- (C) Explain how the impact of economic liberalization has led to the emergence of social movements in each of the two AP Comparative Government and Politics course countries described in part B.

**Begin your response to this question at the top of a new page in the separate Free Response booklet
and fill in the appropriate circle at the top of each page to indicate the question number.**

Question 3: Comparative Analysis**5 points**

(A)	Define economic liberalization.	1 point
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Acceptable definitions include:

- The privatization of nationalized or government-owned industries
- Policies that reduce the government's role in the economy
- Policies that favor the free market
- The reduction of subsidies, tariffs, and other trade barriers
- Opening the economy to foreign direct investment (FDI)

(B)	Describe an economic liberalization policy in two different AP Comparative Government and Politics course countries.	2 points
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Acceptable descriptions include the following (max one point per country):**China**

- Creating special economic zones
- Organizing the household responsibility system
- Encouraging foreign direct investment

Iran

- Reducing fuel subsidies
- Expanding trade with countries who do not have sanctions on Iran

Mexico

- Privatizing nationalized industries
- Partially privatizing Pemex
- Signing the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) or United States–Mexico –Canada Agreement (USMCA)

Nigeria

- Joining Economic Community of Western African States (ECOWAS) or African Continental Free Trade Area (AfCFTA)
- Reducing fuel subsidies
- Empowering the Nigerian National Petroleum Corporation (NPCC) to collaborate with foreign companies in joint ventures to extract and produce oil

Russia

- Privatizing nationalized industries

United Kingdom

- Privatizing nationalized industries
- Reducing regulations on business
- Creating policies to make the National Health Service (NHS) more efficient

Scoring Notes:

- Joining the World Trade Organization (WTO) is an acceptable response for China, Mexico, Nigeria, Russia, and the UK.
- Joining BRICS is an acceptable response for China, Iran, and Russia.

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- (C) Explain how the impact of economic liberalization has led to the emergence of social movements in each of the two AP Comparative Government and Politics course countries described in part B. 2 points

Acceptable explanations include the following (max one point per country):

China

- Economic liberalization has caused environmental degradation, which has led to movements and protests.
- Economic liberalization has led to protests for more political freedoms.

Iran

- Economic liberalization has led to protests against fuel subsidy reductions.
- Economic liberalization and growing inequality in wealth led to strikes for better working conditions and higher wages.

Mexico

- Economic liberalization and growing socioeconomic inequality have led to uprisings (Zapatista rebellion).
- Economic liberalization and the privatization of the oil industry led to protests.
- Economic liberalization and growing inequality in wealth led to strikes for better working conditions and higher wages.

Nigeria

- Economic liberalization and unjust methods of oil extraction have led to protests and the development of environmental movements (MEND / MOSOP).
- The presence of foreign-owned economic interests has motivated protests from groups focused on preserving Nigerian culture and/or religious values.

Russia

- Economic liberalization has led to protests against inequality and low standards of living.

United Kingdom

- Economic liberalization has led to environmental movements and protests.
- Economic liberalization has led to anti-globalization protests.
- Economic liberalization has led to labor union activism and strikes.

Total for question 3 5 points