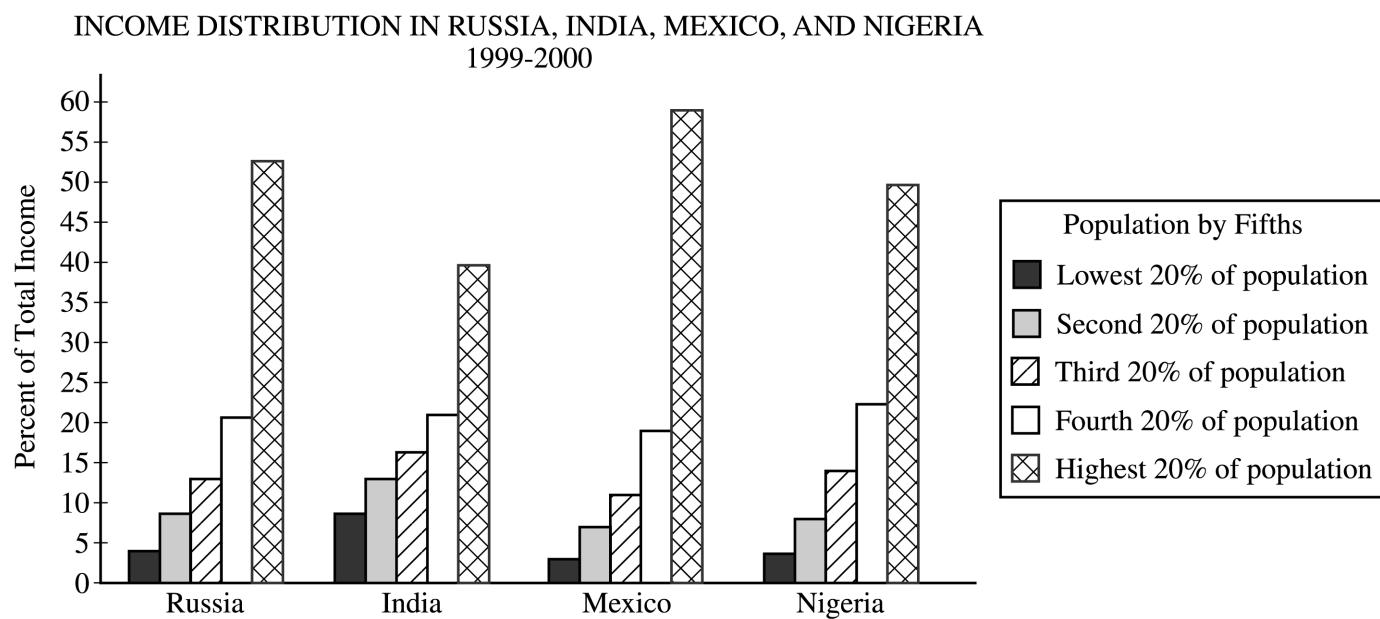


2003 AP® COMPARATIVE GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS FREE-RESPONSE QUESTIONS

COMPARATIVE GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS Section II Time—100 minutes

Directions: You have 100 minutes to answer all four of the following questions. Unless the directions indicate otherwise, respond to all parts of all four questions. It is suggested that you take a few minutes to plan and outline each answer. Spend approximately one-fourth of your time (25 minutes) on each question. In your response, use substantive examples where appropriate. Make certain to number each of your answers as the question is numbered below.

1. In China opportunities for citizen participation in politics have increased since the initiation of reform.
 - (a) Support this thesis with responses to each of the following.
 - Discuss two forms of political participation used by Chinese citizens in the last ten years.
 - Describe how two factors account for the increased opportunities for political participation.
 - (b) Explain one consequence of increased Chinese citizen participation for China.



Percentages may not add up to 100% due to rounding.

2. The chart above lists income distribution by quintiles (fifths) of the population.
 - (a) Compare the overall income distribution in Russia to the overall income distribution in India or Mexico or Nigeria.
 - (b) Identify one policy that has contributed to the overall income distribution in Russia and explain how it has contributed to the overall income distribution in Russia.
 - (c) Identify one policy that has contributed to the overall income distribution in India or Mexico or Nigeria and explain how it has contributed to the overall income distribution in India or Mexico or Nigeria.