**AP® WORLD HISTORY FREE-RESPONSE QUESTIONS**

**WORLD HISTORY**

**SECTION II**

**Part C**

**(Suggested planning and writing time-40 minutes)**

**Directions**: You are to answer one of the following questions. You should spend 5 minutes organizing or outlining your essay. Write an essay that:

* + Has a relevant thesis and supports that thesis with appropriate historical evidence.
  + Address all parts of the question.
  + Makes direct, relevant comparisons.
  + Analyzes relevant reasons for similarities and differences.

**1**. Compare and contrast the roles of women in TWO of the following regions during the period from 600 c.e. to 1750 c.e.

East Asia Sub-Saharan Africa

Latin America Western Europe

**2**. Compare and Contrast the political and economic effects of the Mongols on TWO of the following regions:

China

Middle East

Russia

**3**. Analyze similarities and differences in methods of political control in TWO of the following empires in the Classical period.

Han China (206 B.C.E.–220 C.E.)

Mauryan/Gupta India (320 B.C.E.–550 C.E.)

Imperial Rome (31 B.C.E.–476 C.E.)

**4**. The establishment of religion has always been a defining moment in the history of a developing culture. Discuss the major similarities and the differences of any TWO of the following religions as cultural development of a human society.

Judaism

Hinduism

Buddhism

Islam

Christianity