

Exam #3 Study Guide

Your third exam will be during final exam period. Section 01 (9:30 class) will have their exam on Mon 5/10 at 8:30 am. Section 06 (10:30 class) will have their exam on Wed 5/12 at 8:30 am. Remember that only your top two exams are counted, each worth 10% of your final grade.

The exam covers the material since Exam #2: US history since 1980. This includes Chafe, *History of Our Times* from p. 355 until the end, plus Chapters 26-28 of Foner, or Chapters 13-15 of Moss.

You WILL be allowed to use the Chafe book during the exam. You may bring it and refer to it during the exam. No other books or class notes are permitted.

Be able to define and explain the following terms, events or people. You might have a short answer, a timeline, matching, or multiple choice using the terms on this list. Make sure you know the relevant dates!

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| Names/election dates of US presidents since 1979 | Tiananmen Square/ June 4 th Massacre |
| Iran hostage crisis | Persian Gulf War (Operation Desert Storm) |
| Reagan Revolution | Mt Carmel, Waco Texas |
| Strategic Defense Initiative | Contract with America |
| Reagan Doctrine | NAFTA |
| Moral Majority | Dayton Peace Accords |
| Christian Coalition | Welfare Reform Act |
| Iran-Contra scandal | Monica Lewinsky |
| Perestroika | Neoconservative |
| Glasnost | Globalization |
| Fall of the Berlin Wall | Department of Homeland Security |
| Televangelism | Taliban |
| | Al Qaeda |

As with the other two exams, the practice quizzes on the Norton StudySpace (<http://www.wwnorton.com/college/history/foner2>) are recommended as a study tool.

Focus questions on the reverse →

Focus questions: Essay questions to help you focus your reading and study. The questions on the exam may not be worded exactly the same, or you may be given a “For AND Against” – the idea being not to take one side or the other, but to present the best historical evidence on both sides.

- Explain how Ronald Reagan’s presidency brought together multiple strands of American conservatism.
- How did the Cold War end, and what has been the impact of its end on the United States?
- What have been post-Cold War international strategies and crises? Compare the world (and/or American foreign policy) before 1989 and after.
- How has the “social fabric” of American culture changed since 1980?
- What changes have been made to the liberal welfare state that characterized America in the mid-20th century? Why?
- What did the election of 2000 reveal about American politics?
- Explain the “war on terror” and its domestic and international effects.
- How “historic” was the 2008 election? Define the term “historic” and evaluate that election by your definition.
- How has the American presidency changed since the 1970s?
- What has been the impact of the post-1965 wave of immigration into the United States? Use the new law in Arizona as a case study.