Sample Midterm  ANCENT TRAGEDY  3/16/2010

Raise your hand if you need extra booklets or seek clarification of directions or like. Please do not ask for help on course content or similar.

BE SURE TO HAND THIS PAPER IN, PLUS ALL MATERIALS YOU WRITE ON.

Part 1. Passage identification plus comment (30 mins., 50 points)

PICK 2 FROM THE A-LIST AND 2 FROM THE B-LIST (4 total). A substantial paragraph (small writing = ca. 1 or more pages of bluebook, big writing, 2 or more pages) for each. Spelling of authors' names, titles, names of characters, technical terms counts! Write enough!

- Do NOT rewrite quote in bluebook — waste of time!
- Name author, work, speaker, as appropriate
- Clarify situation — what is going on, etc.
- DISCUSS (do not simply mention) ISSUES ETC. RAISED BY PASSAGE. WRITE ENOUGH!

A-List  B-List
[quoted passage]  [quoted passage]
[quoted passage]  [quoted passage]
[quoted passage]  [quoted passage]

Part 2. Essay. Write on just one (1) of the following two (2). (30 mins., 50 points)

Write a medium-length essay on one of the following questions/topics. Show me you understand the questions you address and the texts you have read.

I will not stipulate essay-length or numbers of texts to cite; use your good judgment. Argue reasonably, provide plenty of evidence, write enough!
I obviously do not require that you provide page number or like when citing a source you wish to discuss. Still, supply author, title as appropriate. Spelling of authors' names, titles, names of characters, technical terms counts!
[essay question/prompt]
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