

WORLD HISTORY

SECTION II

Total Time—1 hour and 40 minutes

Question 2, 3, or 4 (Long Essay)

Suggested writing time: 40 minutes

Directions: Answer Question 2 **or** Question 3 **or** Question 4. In your response you should do the following.

- Respond to the prompt with a historically defensible thesis or claim that establishes a line of reasoning.
 - Describe a broader historical context relevant to the prompt.
 - Support an argument in response to the prompt using specific and relevant examples of evidence.
 - Use historical reasoning (e.g., comparison, causation, continuity or change over time) to frame or structure an argument that addresses the prompt.
 - Use evidence to corroborate, qualify, or modify an argument that addresses the prompt.
2. Develop an argument that evaluates how conditions in some civilizations in Afro-Eurasia led to the decline of urban centers prior to 1450CE.
 3. Develop an argument that evaluates how conditions in some civilizations in Afro-Eurasia led to the revival of urban centers prior to 1450CE.
 4. Develop an argument that evaluates how the rise of urban centers in the Americas led to the rise of large empires by 1450CE.