

HISTORY 225 - 01

CIVIL WAR AND RECONSTRUCTION - FINAL EXAM - 1992

NAME: _____

PLEDGE: _____

ANSWER FIVE OF THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS IN THE BLUE BOOK. YOUR ANSWERS MUST BE LIMITED TO TWO PAGES(FRONT ONLY-writing real-real small isn't fair). YOU NEED TO SUPPORT YOUR ANSWER USING SPECIFICS AND YOU WILL BE GRADED ON HOW WELL YOU PRESENT AND DEFEND YOUR OPINION NOT ON YOUR OPINION per se. (20 points apiece)

1. Why did the South lose this war?
- ✓ 2. The Civil War has been described as "a rich man's war and a poor man's fight." Support or refute this statement. (Especially describe conscription in both the North and South)
3. Jefferson Davis was captured and imprisoned without trial for two years. In your opinion should he have been charged with treason? If he had been charged and tried what would have been the effect of his trial on reconstruction?
4. Would the South have been better off if Lincoln had not been assassinated? Would the newly freed slaves have been better off?
- ✓ 5. At the outbreak of hostilities General Scott proposed the Anaconda Plan for suppressing the rebellion. Under this plan Scott proposed to surround the Southern states by controlling the Mississippi River and the coastal regions and then to slowly "squeeze" the South into submission. Compare this proposal to what actually happened.
- ✓ 6. On the battlefield of Gettysburg there is a monument at the point at which Pickett's charge was stopped. This monument marks the "High Water Mark of the Confederacy" - from this point on the fortunes of the Confederacy were ebbing. Do you agree with this or do you think that some other spot or event marked this point?