November 5, 2009 Time: 1.15 hrs

INTERCULTURAL STUDIES 203 FIRST EXAM

ANSWER ONE QUESTION ONLY (1 or 2)

1. "The Happy Event"

An International Conference is taking place in Haigazian University on the subject of the Happy Event. Present are members from different Ancient Near Eastern Cultures including yourself.

- a. Select **THREE** such characters (from THREE different cultures) and describe how each would understand or interpret what the Happy Event would mean to him/her according to his /her own culture. Give examples from your texts to support your answers. (90%)
- b. How would a modern student like you understand the concept of Happy Event. Would you agree with any of the above views? Discuss and Justify. (10%)

OR



Gods Of Nature

The Ancient God (s) played a prominent role in Nature and Natural Phenomena.

Select **THREE** cultures or three different God(s) and explain how their activities and behavior had a direct impact on Natural Phenomena. (90%)

b. How do you personally today explain Natural Phenomena? Do you believe that today God interferes in Natural Events? Justify.

Notes:

- 1. Please do not summarize the entire story. Address the requested theme and analyze.
- 2. All answers should be in Modern English using the alphabet (no cuneiform and no hieroglyphs)
- 3. Good Luck!