

CIVILIZATION SEQUENCE 204

FINAL EXAMINATION

TIME: 2 Hours

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PART ONE: (30%) The following two quotations are from Mahfouz and Salih respectively. In each case, (1) Analyze the ideas in the quotation. (2) Link one of those ideas to another idea you have come across this semester.

1. "The many times I've told you," shouted Hussein at Abbas. "The times I've given you my advice. Shake off this miserable life, close up your shop, leave this filthy alley behind. Rest youreyes from looking at Uncle Kamil's carcass. Work for the British Army. It's a gold mine that will never be exhausted."
2. I made a show of laughing and asked my grandfather what Wad Rayyes's marrying had to do with me.
"You're the bride's guardian".
I took refuge in silence and my grandfather, thinking I had not understood, said, "Wad Rayyes wants to marry Mustapha Sa'eed's widow."

PART TWO: (70%) Write a complete, well developed, and well organized essay on the following topic:-

The devaluation of the human race is a major theme in C.S. 204. Explore this theme as it appears in a few of the authors you have read this semester. You may discuss as few or as many writers as you wish, but be careful to treat the subject in depth and to avoid superficiality. Make specific references to the chosen texts. Give your own opinion.

GOOD LUCK!