

A. **BRIEF ANSWERS - 35%** (35 minutes)

1. **List three** main elements of **each**: rationalism and empiricism. 6%
2. Hobbes and Locke: **list three** main elements of the theory of government for **each**. 6%
3. Bentham: list **three** main elements of his Utilitarian morality. 3%
4. **Do the same** for Kant, Faust, and Goethe's moralities. 9%
5. J.S. Mill: summarize his arguments for **freedom of expression**: why should one be allowed to hold an opinion even if it is "false?" 11%

B. **LONGER EXERCISE -25%** (30 minutes)

Explain **some major elements** of **Marxism** as found in *The Communist Manifesto*: describe the **base-superstructure** model, the **view of history** as **class struggle** and as a **dialectical process**.

- Explain the point made by the lecturer that **Marxism** should not be understood in the **simple way** presented in the *Manifesto*. (Briefly)

C. **ESSAY -40%** (Choose **one**, 55 minutes)

1) **Reflect overall** on the main thrust of CVSP 203: **modernity and the enlightenment**.

Write a well-organized essay that considers **two** of the main “attitudes” presented at the outset of the semester, the **primacy of reason** and **individualism**.

- Define the two carefully.
- Explain how they are expressed in Descartes, Hobbes, Locke, Adam Smith, Kant, and Marx.
- How is Faust **similar** to and **different** from the above authors (in terms of being part of **modernity**)? – mention his views on **knowledge, morality, and political government**.
- What is **your own opinion** on the themes of the **primacy of reason** and **individualism**?

2) **Freedom/Liberty**

Write a well-organized essay on this theme as you found it presented in the following: Hobbes, Locke, Kant, Faust, Goethe, Marx, and Mill.

- Be **concise**: give just enough to show that you have understood the main approach of each to the issue of freedom.
- Discuss human freedom from **your own** point of view: which of the views that you described above do you find relevant; which do you disagree with? Give **reasons**.
- Attempt a summary description of how **you** view human freedom. How does your view apply to **yourself** (personal morality) and to **society** (socio-political-economic-legal organization: capitalism, socialism,...)?