



**Civilization Sequence 206  
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Final Examination  
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**Choose 5 of the following questions: (50 points)**

- 1) Explain Descartes' skeptical method.
- 2) Define Locke's state of nature and the reason why individuals move to society.
- 3) What is the difference between a categorical and a hypothetical imperative (Kant). Give examples.
- 4) Explain Bentham's utility principle and the reasons why it's both an objective and subjective tool of measurement.
- 5) What does Marx mean when he says that the State is "political"?
- 6) What are the two steps in the process of evolution, according to Darwin, and why is one of them the condition for the occurrence of the other?
- 7) What is the "Will to Truth", and why is it a manifestation of the "Will to Power"? (Nietzsche).

**Choose 1 of the following essays (50 points):**

- 1) How have the concepts of Reality and the knowledge of reality evolved from the modern to the postmodern era? How do you deal with it today?
- 2) Explore the theme of conflict in man's natural, social, personal and cultural life. Do you think conflict is an eternal ingredient of our existence?
- 3) What about Reason? And what is it if not Reason?

Good luck!