

History 240
Fall 2005
History of the Arab East and Egypt
Final Exam
25 January 2006, 8:00-10:00 am
Bliss Hall 105

Your answers should incorporate concrete examples from your readings. **Choose two essays and five identification questions.**

- 1) What was the policies of the 19th century? How would you explain the wartime agreements in light of the Eastern Question?
- 2) Discuss the post-war settlements. What were the various settlements, whose interests did they serve, and what are a few ways they have they affected the history of the region since 1920?
- 3) What problems or circumstances were the Ottoman (and/or Iranian) constitutions meant to address? Are the issues unique to each country, or similar? What were the difficulties faced by each constitutional movement, and what were the outcomes?
- 4) Discuss the legitimation mechanisms employed by the Ottoman state. Ottoman imperial legitimation changed between the 16th and 19th centuries. What were some of the changes and how successful were they in your view? What were some of the internal and external challenges to the Ottoman state in the 19th century, and how did state symbols and ideology respond to these challenges?
- 5) Much Ottoman and Egyptian reform focused on the military. A long tradition of scholarship has declared these reform efforts futile. Appraise military reform from the perspective of the armistice in 1918. Would the story be different from the perspective of 1916? Why?
- 6) How exactly did Egypt fall under British rule? Examine the elements leading to this event.

Identifications

CUP
Mustafa Kemal
Sharif al-Husayn
Amir Faysal

Gallipoli
Ahmed Jamal Pasha
Sykes-Picot
The Jewish State

Constantinople Agreement

