

Midterm Overview

The Midterm exam is a test covering the first four units of study; it is broken up into three parts: firstly, an objective exam where students are tested on their command of simple historical facts (see immediately below); secondly, the completion of a listening and responding (see course website); and lastly, the completion of an assignment where students must assess the reliability of a secondary source (see Assignment 5 on the course website).

Exam Breakdown

Part 1: Objective Exam (25%)

Part 2: Listening & Responding (50%)

Part 3: Writing & Analysing (25%)

Part 1: The Objective Exam

The conventional exam requires students to both answer a series of typical objective questions like matching, multiple choice, multiple correct, etc. but also unconventional questions like synectical multiple choice. Below are some examples of what a synectical multiple choice question looks like.

Synectical multiple choice questions require students to identify a relationship or something in shared in common between two things. See example below:

- Ex. 1.** Paul is to Christianity what _____ is to Islam.
- a). Charlemagne
 - b). Innocent III
 - c). Muhammed
 - d). Constantine

Answer: Paul is to Christianity what **Muhammed** is to Islam. The relationship or connection Paul and Muhammed share is they were both responsible for making converts of people to their respective religions.

You do not need to know every person, place or thing we have studied; rather, a short list of what you must know is presented on the next page in a chart organized by unit. Use the following web page to master the required names and definitions of documents, events, people and places, etc. presented on the Midterm:

http://www.vcanada2.com/History_10_2018/Unit%205%20Midterm%20Exam/1%20Midterm%20Objective%20Review%20Questions.html.

Units of Study	Documents, Events, People, Places
The Roman Heritage	Ptolemy, Gospels, Gentiles, Peter, Paul, Diocletian, Constantine, Attila.
Foundations of Medieval Europe	Muslims, Battle of Tours, Charlemagne, <i>Treaty of Verdun</i> , Feudalism, Lord, Vassal, Feudal Contract, Fief, Serfs, Peace of God, Inquisition, Excommunication.
Height of Medieval Civilization	Guild, Apprentice, Journeyman, Dante, Thomas Aquinas, Roger Bacon, Seljuk Turks, Council of Clermont, Urban II, Crusade, Saladin.
Building National Monarchies	Battle of Hastings, William the Conqueror, Magna Carta, Common Law, Limited Monarchy, Henry IV, <i>Concordat of Worms</i> , Innocent III, Black Death, John Wycliffe, John Huss, Joan of Arc, Hundred Years' War.

Part 2: Listening & Responding

This component of the final exam gets students to practice critical thinking skills as they specifically relate to the core concepts of the course, e.g. continuity, change, causation and perspective/bias. The associated assignment is available on the course website under the Midterm tab.

Part 3: Writing & Analysing

The final part gets students to read and analyze the reliability and usefulness of a secondary source.