

Answers to the essay questions are to be written in the separate essay booklet.

## Part II

### THEMATIC ESSAY QUESTION

*Directions:* Write a well-organized essay that includes an introduction, several paragraphs addressing the task below, and a conclusion.

#### Theme: Reform Movements (Industrialization)

After the Civil War, the United States developed an increasingly industrialized economy. Industrialization provided many benefits for the nation; however, it also created serious problems that required action by the government, groups, or individuals.

#### Task:

Select *two* problems that resulted from industrialization in the United States and for *each*

- Explain how this problem resulted from industrialization
- Describe an attempt by the government, groups, or individuals to address the problem
- Discuss the extent to which this attempt was successful in addressing the problem

You may use any problem that was created by industrialization from your study of United States history. Some suggestions you might wish to consider include corruption in government, exploitation of workers, overcrowding of cities, establishment of trusts, production of unsafe consumer goods, destruction of the natural environment, and increase in anti-immigrant attitudes.

**You are *not* limited to these suggestions.**

#### Guidelines:

**In your essay, be sure to**

- Develop all aspects of the task
- Support the theme with relevant facts, examples, and details
- Use a logical and clear plan of organization, including an introduction and a conclusion that are beyond a restatement of the theme

**In developing your answer to Part II, be sure to keep these general definitions in mind:**

- explain means “to make plain or understandable; to give reasons for or causes of; to show the logical development or relationships of”**
- describe means “to illustrate something in words or tell about it”**
- discuss means “to make observations about something using facts, reasoning, and argument; to present in some detail”**