

**History 102 U.S. History Since 1877
Placement Exam Questions**

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Section I. True/False

Jim Crow laws outlawed segregation. ____F_____.

The New Deal project, The Tennessee Valley Authority, brought running water and electricity to many parts of the South. _____T_____

The United Nations was not involved in providing a multi-national force in the Korean War.
__F_____.

The Atomic bomb was developed in a top-secret program called “The Manhattan Project.” _T_____.

Section II. Multiple Choice.

Which statement best summarizes the Open Door Policy?:

- a) the United States should have its own sphere of influence in China.
- b) Japan should be excluded from trading with China.
- c) China should be punished for its support of the Boxer Rebellion.
- d) all nations should be granted equal trading rights in China.
- e) the United States should control international trade in the Pacific

Dis the correct answer

President Lyndon Johnson received authorization for the use of force in Vietnam through?:

- a) the Southeast Asia Treaty Organization.
- b) the Truman Doctrine.
- c) the Gulf of Tonkin Resolution.
- d) the United Nations Security Council.
- e) a declaration of war by Congress.

C is correct

Section III. Essay. Choose one of the following questions and write a three-four paragraph essay.

Discuss the origins of the Cold War. Among the many factors to consider, think about the Potsdam and Yalta conferences, the placement of troops, the role of atomic weapons.

2. Discuss the characteristics of American Progressivism. Do you consider it a viable 3rd party of the times? How was it able to dominate in the Midwest (grange or agrarian movement)? Do you agree or disagree that a viable 3rd party would enhance our political life in the United States?

These are subjective questions and the ability of the student to write an essay at this level should be assessed by the HSCP instructor. If the student provides an introduction, covers important points and makes every attempt to address the topic the grade should reflect that effort.