

110J Midterm Rubric – Winter 2012 (Bolar)

Each question is worth four points. Final test is graded out of twelve points on the following scale:

12/12	A+
11	A
10	A-
9	B+
8	B
7	B-
6	C+
5	C
4	C-/D+
3	D
2	F
1	Don't worry about one.
0	Ayah.

Question 1: Lincoln and the *Gettysburg Address*

- 1 : Agrees or disagrees with a reason.
- 1 : Who is included in the 'all men' created equal?
- 1 : Some discussion of what equality means.
- 1 : Clarity of writing.

Question 2: Sumner and *What the Social Classes Owe to Each Other*

- 1 : Understands meaning in context of argument.
- 1 : Has some evaluation (i.e. 'is coherent,' 'I agree,' etc.)
- 1 : Links to historical or political thought in the era.
- 1 : Mentions connection to Social Darwinism.

Question 3: W.E.B. Dubois on Harlan's dissent in *Plessy v. Ferguson*

- 1 : Agree in part: Similarity between the veil and badge of slavery.
- 1 : Disagree in part: i.e. questions whether the constitution was color-blind or mentions 3/5 compromise
- 1 : Notes Dubois would probably not accept Harlan's comments about racial superiority.
- 1 : Student critically engages Dubois' view in their own voice.