

October 30th Questions

Southern Exposure, Pgs 75-89

1. What is the “new comparative political economy”?
2. What is a state and how is a nation different?
3. What is the Paradox of Simultaneity and which country is a good example of this concept?
4. Which countries form the “Horn of Africa” and what are the two opposing values that this area faces?
5. What were the most important challenges that the government of Ethiopia faced following the revolution in 1974? How does this story relate to the paradox of simultaneity?

Southern Exposure Pgs 89-109

1. How have the five key concepts for Global South politics appeared in Zimbabwe? Consider the land issue and who has the greatest influence on the economy.
2. How do religious and ethnic issues, porous boundaries, and a blend of autonomy and dependence continue to cause conflict in India?
3. What are the five challenges nations of the Global South face?

Southern Exposure, Pgs. 111-126

1. Conflicts take several forms in the Global South. What are they?
2. What is one of the causes of crises of legitimacy and authority on the part of some states in the Global South? When do problems arise in nations that are supposed to share loyalty to a group that has defining traits such as language, history or ethnicity?
3. What is terrorism? What is new about terrorism in the twenty first century? What is the new and potentially devastating form of terrorism that is emerging?
4. Where is the greatest harm caused by the allocation of vast sums to armaments? What harm does this cause?

5. What is one particularly devastating technology of warfare that has riddled the Global South? What is the weapon of war central to a discussion of conflict and human rights?
6. What are the four lessons learned from the three countries discussed in the chapter?

Southern Exposure, Pgs. 127 - 141

1. What are the four lessons that might be useful in examining ethnic or sectarian conflicts and/or insurgency and guerrilla movements?
2. What is the definition of a refugee? What makes refugees distinctive? Name some examples of refugees.
3. International Migrants have become an issue of concern. Approximately how many people live outside their country of birth or citizenship today?
4. What seems to be the causes that trigger refugee movements?
5. What are the three situations the book highlights as circumstances in which there is a denial of rights? Explain.

Article 30

1. With what did veteran foreign volunteers, involved in the 1980s guerrilla campaigns of Afghanistan, return to their home countries? And what were the consequences? Give examples.
2. Name the 3 reasons, the author states, why the Afghan experience was important for the foreign "holy warriors."
3. Name the factors that could make blowback from the Iraq war more dangerous than the Afghanistan fallout.
4. What are the author's suggestions for American success in Iraq?

Article 31

1. How did the situation in Darfur first come to the international community's awareness and why did it take so long to become a well-known issue?
2. Why was the UN in a "terrible position regarding the Darfur crisis"?

3. What has been the African Union's role in Darfur?
4. What 4 types of explanations have been offered for the Darfur violence?