



## **AP<sup>®</sup> Human Geography 2004 Free-Response Questions**

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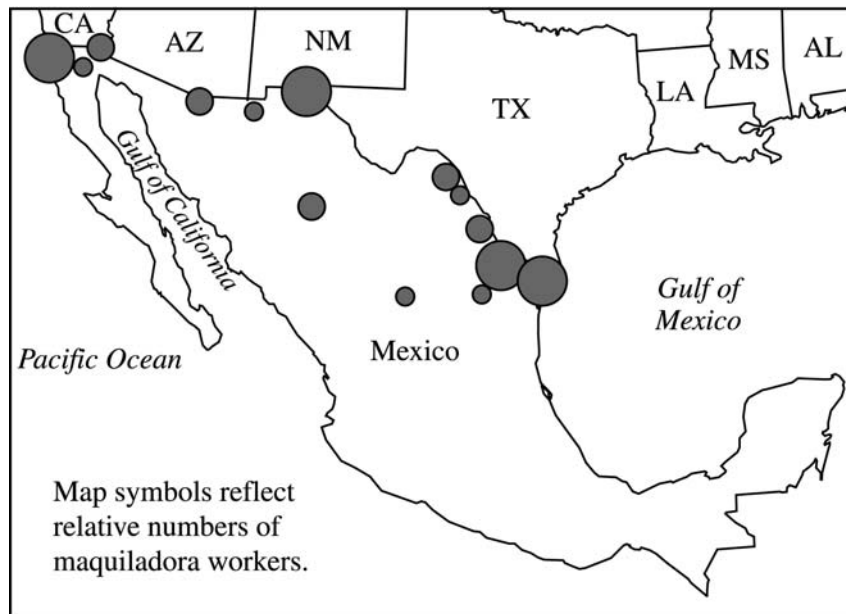
## HUMAN GEOGRAPHY

### SECTION II

Time—60 minutes

Percent of total grade—50

**Directions:** You have 60 minutes to answer all three of the following questions. It is suggested that you take a few minutes to plan and outline each answer. Spend approximately one-third of your time (20 minutes) on each question. Illustrate your essay with substantive examples where appropriate. It is not enough to answer a question by merely listing facts. You should present a cogent argument based on your critical analysis of the questions posed and your understanding of geography. Make certain to number each of your answers in the pink booklet as the question is numbered below.

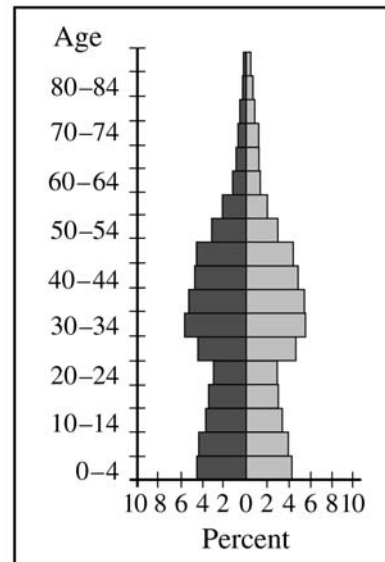
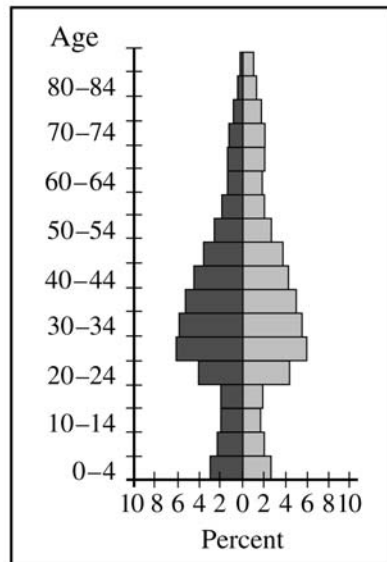
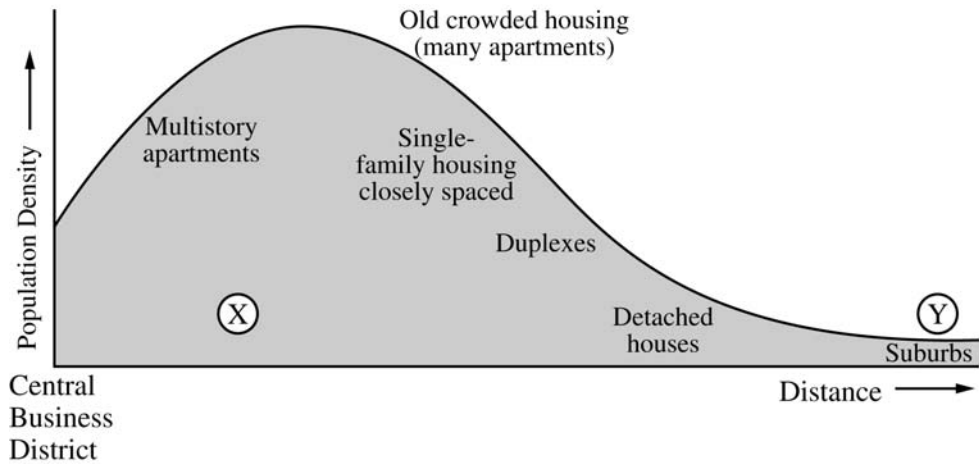


1. The map above shows the main maquiladora centers in Mexico in the year 2000.
  - A. Define a maquiladora.
  - B. Refer to the map above to explain the spatial distribution of maquiladoras within Mexico.
  - C. Discuss FOUR factors that explain why Mexico has emerged as an important location in the current global system of industrial organization.

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2. The restructuring of agriculture in the late twentieth century has had important implications for rural land use and the distribution of poultry (chicken and turkey) production in the United States.
  - A. List TWO factors that have increased the demand for poultry.
  - B. Briefly describe TWO characteristics of the present economic organization of poultry production in the United States.
  - C. Describe TWO features of the present geographic distribution of poultry production in the United States.

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3. The graph shown above describes the residential density profile of a major North American city. The population pyramids labeled X and Y describe the demographic composition of places located at points X and Y on the graph of population density.
- Use the concept of land rent (sometimes called bid-rent) to explain the profile of residential population density shown on the graph.
  - Using the population pyramids labeled X and Y, identify and explain TWO differences in the demographic composition between the pyramids.
  - Explain the relationship between the demographic differences identified in part B, above, and residential land use patterns at point X and point Y, respectively, in the graph of population density.

**END OF EXAMINATION**