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IB History of the Americas

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Civil War Essay

Choose 1 of the following questions to answer in an essay. You must use at least 3 sources (include the packet from Out of Many as one of your sources). Include a Bibliography/Works Cited page. This essay is worth 100 points!

DUE: _____

- 1) The greatest problem facing Jefferson Davis and the Confederacy was the need to develop a true feeling of Nationalism. Can the failure of this effort be blamed on Davis's weakness as a leader alone, or are there other causes?

- 2) In what ways can it be said that the actions of African Americans, both slave and free, came to determine the course of the Civil War?

- 3) Wars always have unexpected consequences. What are some of the consequences both for soldiers and for civilians in the North and South?

- 4) Today, Abraham Lincoln is considered one of our greatest presidents, but he did not enjoy such approval at the time. What were some contemporary criticisms of Lincoln, and evaluate them.