

LBSC 671 Quiz (Fall 2013)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

You have 30 minutes to complete this quiz (although it should not take you that long). Time starts when you proceed past the next page (i.e., you cannot read the quiz without starting the 30 minutes).

Record your start date and time here: \_\_\_\_\_

This is an open book, open notes, open Internet quiz. You may use anything that existed on the Internet before you first read the quiz, and you may use any program on any computer. You may not communicate in any way with any person about any topic during this quiz. You may not discuss this quiz or provide any information about this quiz (such as whether you found it to be easy or hard) until the professor posts solutions, discusses the quiz in class, or sends you your grade. The reason for this is that different people will take the quiz at different times.

You may send your answers in any reasonable form (e.g., Word, text or PDF).

You must finish the quiz within 30 minutes of starting it, and you must finish it before 5:30 PM on Monday October 7, 2013.

Record your end date and time here: \_\_\_\_\_

Keep the following general test taking strategies in mind. If you find a question to be ambiguous, explain your confusion but provide an answer. This will make it possible to consider the cause of your confusion when grading your answer. Don't spend so much time on one question that you run out of time for other question. Look over all the questions initially and answer the ones that will get you the most points (for the time invested) first!

A maximum of 5 points are possible on this quiz.

The questions are on the next page. There are 4 questions on this quiz.

For the following questions, refer to the following Web resources:

A declassified diplomatic cable (i.e., a telegram) sent by the US Embassy in Jordan on October 10, 2004:

<http://aad.archives.gov/aad/createpdf?rid=157533&dt=2474&dl=1345>

(alternate source: <http://www.umiacs.umd.edu/~oard/teaching/671/fall13/hw/Cable947228.pdf>)

The metadata for that same cable:

<http://www.umiacs.umd.edu/~oard/teaching/671/fall13/hw/Cable947228Metadata.pdf>

These records are maintained by the National Archives and Records Administration as part of the State Department Central Foreign Policy Files. They are currently stored in both print and digital form.

You might also want to refer to the National Archives Web site that provides the cable (but not the metadata, which I ordered by mail) to learn more about the context of these records, but that should not be necessary (or helpful!) for answering the questions in this quiz:

<http://aad.archives.gov/aad/series-description.jsp?s=4073>

1. (1 point) Write a brief (one-line) summary of what the cable is about.
2. (1 point) What kind of metadata is your one-line summary? Possible answers are: descriptive, technical, usage, administrative, or preservation.
3. (1 points) What type of metadata is the <review\_markings> XML field that is near the top of the second page of the metadata? Possible answers are: descriptive, technical, usage, administrative, or preservation.
4. (2 points) The National Archives has determined that this cable is a permanent record that should be retained for the "life of the republic." Briefly describe a preservation strategy that has a high probability of achieving that objective. You are welcome to (and encouraged to) write concisely (e.g., using bullet points rather than paragraphs).

Hand type the following university honor pledge in your answer (cut and paste is not allowed):

"I pledge on my honor that I have not given or received any unauthorized assistance on this quiz"

Don't forget to record your end time. Email your quiz to [oard@umd.edu](mailto:oard@umd.edu) immediately after finishing with the subject line "671 Quiz"

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