Study Questions for 191C Midterm Exam

1. Examine (1) the role of ideology; (2) the role of personality of leaders; (3) the role of the third party other than the United States and the Soviet Union; and (4) the role of perceptions/misperceptions in the following:
   (1) Berlin Blockade; (2) Korean War; (4) Cuban Missile Crisis

2. When did the Cold War begin? What role did the following play in the origins of the Cold War?
   (1) atomic bombs on Hiroshima/Nagasaki; (2) Kennan’s “Long Telegram” Novikov Telegram;
   (4) Truman Doctrine; (5) Marshall Plan; (6) Berlin Blockade

3. Compare and Contrast Kennan’s “Mr. X” article and NSC-68

4. Trace the evolution of the division of Germany from 1945 to 1961.

4. What role did the nuclear weapon play in the development of the Cold War from 1945 to 1964?

6. According to one historian, one of the important aspects of the Cold War was the Cold War conflict escalated laterally from Europe into the rest of the world. Explain how this was so by giving a few examples.

7. How did the action-reaction phenomenon manifest itself in the evolution of the nuclear strategy of both the United States and the Soviet Union?