

UNITED STATES HISTORY

Short-answer Questions

Time—45 minutes

4 Questions

Directions: Read each question carefully and write your responses in the corresponding boxes on the free-response answer sheet. Use complete sentences; an outline or bulleted list is not acceptable. You may plan your answers in this exam booklet, but only your responses in the corresponding boxes on the free-response answer sheet will be scored.



- 1) Use the image above to answer parts a, b, and c.
 - a) Briefly explain the point of view expressed through the image about ONE of the following:
 - teen culture
 - pop music
 - race
 - b) Briefly explain one current event or development in the period 1963-2014 that led to the historical change depicted in the image
 - c) Briefly explain one way in which the historical change expressed by the image is currently challenged.

“Though generating profit is great for the economy, *Frozen* is too scary for kids, proffers bad messages, and follows a nonsensical, convoluted plot. I went to a preview screening of the film, and afterward, saw kids more dazed than excited.”

Northern Light, blogger, Dec. 2013

“But if I were to rank the [Disney] films . . . *Frozen* would be frighteningly close to the top of the list. Gloriously animated, wonderfully acted, and refreshingly feminist, it also contains some of the best “Disney songs” ever, standing tall with . . . whatever your favorites are . . . It is a glorious entertainment that basically perfects the Disney princess story while using the template to explore all manner of relevant subtext, not the least of which is an affirmation of Disney’s own cultural legacy.”

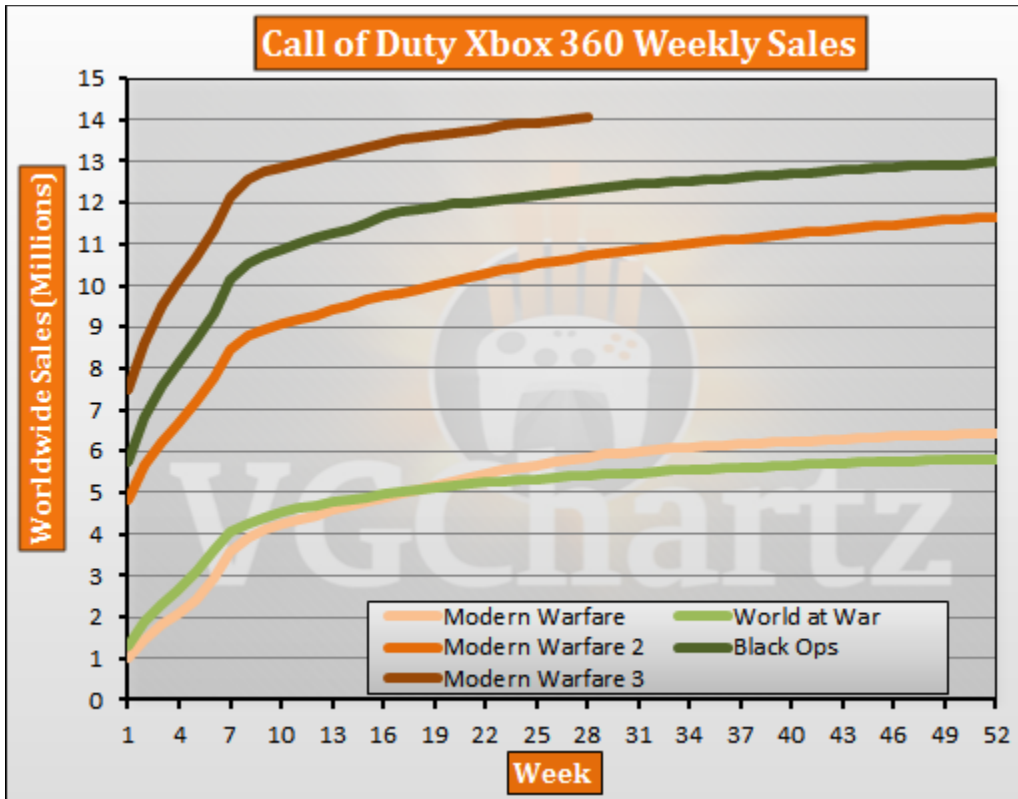
Scott Mendolson, forbes.com, Nov. 2013

2. Using the excerpts above, answer parts a, b, and c.

a) Briefly explain ONE major difference between Northern Light and Mendolson’s interpretations.

b) Briefly explain how someone supporting Northern Light’s interpretation could use ONE specific example from the movie not directly mentioned in the excerpt.

c) Briefly explain how someone supporting Mendolson’s interpretation could use ONE specific example from the movie not directly mentioned in the excerpt.



3. Using the graphic above, answer parts a, b, and c.
 - a) Account for a possible event or development that explains the increase in sales that takes place from Week 1 to Week 10.
 - b) Account for a possible event or development that explains why sales level off after Week 10.
 - c) Based on the trend you see here, make a prediction about sales after Week 52.

4.

- a) Briefly explain one specific similarity between American football and American soccer in the United States.
- b) Briefly one specific difference between American football and American soccer in the United States.
- c) Briefly explain one reason why professional football players make more money than soccer players in the United States.