Final Exam Test-Taking Tips:

- FIRST, read the test questions; then, read the passage; last, answer the questions.
- Answer ALL questions; do not leave any blank.
- Do the long passages first; put answers next to the right numbers on your scantron.
- Annotate passages:
  - underline dates/years/people/places/turning point/plot events, etc.
  - draw arrows, circle important details/vocabulary, label figurative language instances, etc.
- For informational passages:
  - Sum up every 2-3 paragraphs in a sentence or phrase, and write those in the margins.
- For multiple choice questions:
  - Read ALL answer choices first before choosing one.
  - Choose the most correct answer.
  - Make sure the answer that you choose actually answers the question.
  - Read carefully and slowly (e.g., “NOT”, “EXCEPT”, etc.).
  - If clueless, choose C 😊
- For short answer questions:
  - Answers should be about 5-6 sentences long.
  - Write NEATLY and slowly.
  - Use the ACES method:
    - A—address the question.
    - C—cite examples, evidence, quotes.
    - E—explain those examples.
    - S—sum up answer.
- When you’re finished answering all the questions, go back and CHECK OVER YOUR WORK!
- Try to answer ALL questions CORRECTLY! 😊