Essay and Discussion Questions: Development

Explain
- Why is each of the five conditions for economic growth—peace and stability, education, access to capital, rule of law, and opportunity—necessary for development?
- How was the Industrial Revolution different from development at other times in history?
- Why is development difficult to define?
- How does inequality complicate measuring development?
- What allowed South Korea to successfully develop over the second half of the twentieth century while North Korea did not?

Analyze
- How beneficial was the Marshall Plan to the United States? How beneficial was it to the Western European countries that received money under the plan?
- In what ways is the digital revolution similar to the Industrial Revolution and green revolution? In what ways is it not?
- In what ways are the Sustainable Development Goals an improvement on the Millennium Development Goals?

Evaluate
- Should the United States increase or decrease the amount of foreign aid it provides?
- What factors should donor countries weigh when deciding where and how to give foreign aid? Should donor countries consider their own self-interest?
- To what extent were the Millennium Development Goals a success?