Study Guide—Part III

Vocabulary: Be sure that you understand these key terms from the Introduction and Part I of your reading. Circle ones that you do not know.

- free trade agreement
- barriers to trade
- international manufacturers
- trade surplus
- global economy
- opposition party
- economic justice
- economic and political stability
- economic leverage
- economic output
- remittances
- undocumented immigration
- drug trade
- drug trafficking
- commercial farms
- autonomous communities

Questions:
1. a. What does NAFTA stand for?
   b. What was the original goal of NAFTA?

2. List two positive effects of NAFTA for Mexico.
   a.
   b.

3. List two negative effects of NAFTA for Mexico.
   a.
   b.
4. In 2000, the PRI lost the presidency to ______________. Many Mexicans believed it would bring relief from ______________ and an end to ______________.

5. Why do some Mexicans think that relations between Mexico and United States have never been fair?

6. List two ways the drug trade threatens Mexico’s security and stability.
   a. 
   b. 

7. Why are issues of land reform and poverty important in Mexico today? Explain your answer.

8. Name two ways that the EZLN has acted to create change in Mexico since the end of violence in Chiapas?
   a. 
   b. 
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1. Why do many Mexicans believe that NAFTA has hurt their country’s economy? What types of businesses have benefited from NAFTA?

2. How did Mexico’s economic reforms weaken the power of the PRI?

3. How has Mexico’s relationship with the United States changed in recent years?

4. How have recent Mexican governments responded to drug violence? Why have some people criticized their tactics?

5. How have the EZLN’s strategies changed in recent years?
Part III: Mexico at the Start of the Twenty-First Century

Instructions: Use Part III of your reading to fill in the chart below.

1990s-2000
This ten-year period was an economic and political turning point for Mexico. List the significant developments that occurred during this period in the chart below. Be sure to note the date next to each development.

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In one sentence, explain how Mexico transformed.

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