PARK EAST HIGH SCHOOL
Purpose, Preparation, Pride

Name: _____ Date: _____

Writing Exam

Directions: This should take no longer than 20 min, but you have the whole class period to complete. For a start in your thought process you might want to use the PERSIA categorizing strategy to create buckets for your ideas. You should use as many long paragraph(s) as you need to answer the questions below. Please write at least 200 words in response to this question.

1. Identify the main points in Adam Smith's theory of economics and list some features that he believes propel (fuel, expand quickly, move forward) economic growth?

2. What does he say about government intervention (interference, involvement) in the economy, free will (natural right to make decisions and act upon them), and independent decision-making?

3. How do these ideas reflect the ideas in The Enlightenment?

4. After you have written about that, compare and contrast (similarities and differences) his ideas with those of Karl Marx. For this you would have to answer all of the above questions for Karl Marx. (Use words such as; as compared to, in agreement with, this is mirrored in, both take the same approach in, on the contrary, whereas, quite the reverse is seen, etc.)

5. Where and on what main issues do the two of them disagree (differences)?

6. What does each theory say about the government's role in addressing economic problems?