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| **LA3 Common Final Instruction**  **& Study Guide** |
| * 40 question test * 2 fiction passages, 2 non-fiction passages * 2 passages at grade level, 2 passages no more than two years below grade level * 1-2 graphs or charts * One comparative section * 5 questions requiring students to cite textual evidence (RI 10.1) |

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| **Questions by Common Core Standard** | | | | | |
| **Reading: Literature** | | | **Reading: Informational Text** | | |
| **Standard** | **# of questions** | **% of test** | **Standard** | **# of questions** | **% of test** |
| RL 10.1 | 7 | 17% | RI 10.1 | 7 | 17% |
| RL 10.2 | 6 | 15% | RI 10.2 | 3 | 8% |
| RL 10.4 | 3 | 8% | RI 10.4 | 4 | 10% |
| RL 10.5 | 4 | 10% | RI 10.5 | 3 | 8% |
|  |  |  | RI 10.6 | 3 | 8% |

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| **Essential Questions that *may* be reflected in the reading passages** |
| * Does the end justify the means? * How do people balance personal desire and responsible behavior? * How does a society decide what is good and what is not? * How can ambition be both good and bad? * How does society determine what is or is not appropriate? * What aspects of human nature do not change? |

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| **Question stems that *may* appear on the exam (literature)** | |
| **Standard** | **Possible Stem** |
| RL 10.1 | It can be reasonably inferred that  The author indicates that  Which sentence from the passage best develops the theme of…  Which choice provides the best evidence for the answer to the previous question?  The author most strongly implies which of the following about |
| RL 10.2 | Which choice best summarizes … |
| RL 10.4 | As used in line \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ most nearly means |
| RL 10.5 | The author’s use of the phrase “\_\_\_\_\_\_\_” (lines \_\_\_\_\_) reveals  The reference to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in lines \_\_\_\_\_\_ primarily serves to |

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| **Question stems that *may* appear on the exam (informational)** | |
| **Standard** | **Possible Stem** |
| RI 10.1 | The author most strongly implies which of the following about  Which choice provides the best evidence for the answer to the previous question?  It can be reasonably inferred that  The author indicates that |
| RI 10.2 | What is the author’s main point about  What claim about \_\_\_\_\_\_is supported by the graph?  Based on the passage and the graph, which of the following statements is true?  Which choice best explains the meaning of lines \_\_\_\_ in Passage 2: “\_\_\_\_”  Both passages are primarily concerned with the subject of  Which choice best summarizes … |
| RI 10.4 | As used in line \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ most nearly means |
| RI 10.5 | The author’s choice to interject the sentence “\_\_\_\_\_\_\_” (lines \_\_\_\_\_\_) within the passage serves to  The author of this passage use the phrase, “\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_” in order to  The author chooses to conclude Passage one with the phrase “\_\_\_\_\_” (line \_\_) in order to  The reference to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in lines \_\_\_\_\_\_ primarily serves to |
| RI 10.6 | The author recognizes a counterargument to the position he takes in the passage by  The passage is written from the perspective of someone who is  The main purpose of the passage is to |