Anthropology 220w.07
Review Sheet: Exam 1

Readings
Kottak Ch. 1-6
Chagnon “Doing Fieldwork Among the Yanamamo”
D’Antonio “Napoleon Changnon’s War of Discovery”
Lee “Eating Christmas in the Kalahari”
Small “Our Babies, Ourselves”
Miner “Body Ritual Among the Nacirema”
Diamond “Race Without Color” (web)
Cohen “Culture, Not Race, Explains Human Diversity” (web)
AAA Statement on Race (web)
Lutz “Language, Appearance, and Reality: Doublespeak in 1984”
Tannen “I can't even open my mouth”
Counts "Too Many Bananas, Not Enough Pinnacles, and No Watermelon at All: Three Object Lessons in Living With Reciprocity"
Harris "Life Without Chiefs"
Collins "Why Can't People Feed Themselves?"
AE- Goldstein "When Brothers Share a Wife"
Mandelbaum "Dowry Deaths in India: 'Let Only Your Corpse Come Out of that House'"
Kristoff "Who Needs Love! In Japan Many Couples Don't"

Movies
Faces of Culture
Ache

Terms
acculturation ethnography pastoralism
adaptation fitness phenotype
adaptive strategy foraging plasticity
agriculture genealogy political economy
archaeology generalized reciprocity postmodernism
balanced reciprocity genotype race
biological/physical anthropology globalization reciprocity
British functionalism historical particularism redistribution
Charles Darwin holism Bride-price
concordance horticulture sociobiology
cultural relativism interpretive/symbolic anthropology sociocultural anthropology
culture lactose intolerance structural functionalism
diffusion linguistics unilinear evolution
cultivation materialism economic system
Dowry Endogamy exogamy
Bride-service natural selection participant observation
ethnicity negative reciprocity
ethnocentrism Exchange of females Gift-exchange
Sample Questions
1- What are advantages of participant observation research? How does this compare to survey data?
2- What are the six components of culture? How is culture related to behavior? What does it mean that culture is used creatively?
3- Franz Boas is considered the “Father of American Anthropology”. What were his contributions to the field of anthropology?
4- What aspects of culture do materialists focus on? How would symbolic anthropologists approach the same culture? How would postmodernists react to these approaches?
5- How are the concepts of cultural relativism and ethnocentrism demonstrated in one of the following articles: “Our Babies, Ourselves”, “Body Ritual Among the Nacirema” or “Eating Christmas in the Kalahari”?  
6- What three conditions must exist for natural selection to occur? Why are each important?
7- Why is skin color an insufficient way to divide people into races? How do both Mark Cohen and Jared Diamond demonstrate that race is not a biological category? If not a biological category, what is race? Why is the concept of race so important?
8- How is culture an adaptation? Give an example from the class readings and/or films.
9- Provide an example of ethnic cleansing and how is this practice related to the concept of ethnicity?
10- How does human language differ from primate call systems?
11- What is the connection between pastoral groups and agricultural groups?
12- Discuss the practice of dowry. In what sort of societies do Gaulin and Boster predict that dowry will occur?
13- What form of reciprocity do the Ache have? Give an example from the film on the Ache.
14- Under what conditions would you expect negative reciprocity to change into balanced reciprocity? Give an example.
15- What are taxonomies? Why do they differ in size and depth between cultures? Give examples.