The following are possible questions for the midterm. Begin studying these now, if you have any questions about any of these questions come see me.

1. What is Anthropology and how is holism applied to Anthropology?

2. What are the Subfields of Anthropology? Describe each briefly.

3. What distinguishes Anthropology from other disciplines?

4. Contrast ethnocentrism and cultural relativism.

5. How did the Nacerima article help us to understand other cultures as well as ethnocentrism?

6. Define culture - be sure to include the three components of culture.

7. Culture is shared – why is that – use cultural knowledge in your explanation?

8. What is enculturation and why is it important?

9. What are social norms and why are they useful?

10. What are the seven main points of the power of language?

11. What are phonemes? Explain some differences in cultural sound systems (i.e. Kerean, Thai)

12. Give some example of our cultural classifications in language and how language is a reflection of the US and Nuer culture.

13. What is the Sapir-Whorf hypothesis? What is some evidence to prove it and what are the drawbacks of hypothesis

14. What is Sociolinguistics? Give some examples of this from your life.

15. How is language linked to gender? Use examples from the text and some from the article by Tannen

16. What is the basic concept of Functionalism and how do Malinowski and Radcliffe-Brown differ?

17. What were some to the major influences of the 19th century origin of Anthropology? Discuss Unilineal Evolution as an outcome.

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18. Discuss the importance of Franz Boas’s American Historical Particularism, be sure to include how Anthropological study was changed.

19. What are the major differences between Materialism and Idealism.

20. What are the advantages and disadvantages to participant observation?

21. What are the two forms of interviewing? When and why would you use each of them?

22. What are some of the problems found in the field?

23. What are the three main factors involved in the organization of production? Give an example of each factors use in a industrial and pre-industrial society.

24. Tell what the cultural of a Forager is like – focus on reciprocal sharing and rights to resource, but don’t limit to this.

25. What changes occurred as people began to move from food collectors to food producers?

26. What is the difference between horticulture and intensive agriculture?

27 Define three types of reciprocity and give examples of each.

28. What factors play into reciprocity?

29. What is redistribution? Give an example.

30. Compare and contrast peasant market places and urbanized market places.

31. What is the Big Man feast? What is its function? Use Ongka in your answer.

32. What are the functions of marriage and family?

33 Define endogamy and exogamy; give examples of each. Is there ever a chance both might be employed?

34. What are the advantages and disadvantage of polygyny?

35. Define and distinguish between bride price (bridewealth), dowry, and bride service.