

Question 1: Short Answer Secondary Source**3 points****General Scoring Notes**

- Each point is earned independently.
- **Accuracy:** These scoring guidelines require that students demonstrate historically defensible content knowledge. Given the timed nature of the exam, responses may contain errors that do not detract from their overall quality, as long as the historical content used to advance the argument is accurate.
- **Clarity:** Exam responses should be considered first drafts and thus may contain grammatical errors. Those errors will not be counted against a student unless they obscure the successful demonstration of the content knowledge, skills, and practices described below.
- **Describe:** Provide the relevant characteristics of a specified topic. Description requires more than simply mentioning an isolated term.
- **Explain:** Provide information about how or why a historical development or process occurs or how or why a relationship exists.

A Describe the main argument made by the author in the excerpt. **1 point**

Examples of acceptable responses may include the following:

- Women's right and even obligation to work was one of the central notions of Soviet civic culture.
- Soviet commitment to women's equality was based on pragmatic rather than ideological factors, including labor shortages due to rapid economic growth.
- Despite the Soviet Union's stated commitment to equality, Soviet women did not often hold high positions and earned less than males in the same jobs.

B Describe one piece of evidence used by the author in the excerpt to support her argument. **1 point**

Examples of acceptable responses may include the following:

- In the 1980s the average female worker was better educated than a male but earned only two-thirds as much as the average male.
- Forty percent of women in the workforce worked in unskilled or low-skilled jobs.
- While most doctors in the USSR were women, more than half of the hospital administrators were men.

C Explain how one historical development in the second half of the 1900s likely influenced the author's perspective. **1 point**

Examples of acceptable responses may include the following:

- Gorbachev's policy of glasnost made information about the Soviet Union more available to Western researchers because it opened up communications and access to the West that had been restricted before.

- Feminist movements in the second half of the 1900s focused on achieving social equality for women which led to the development of new research on the status of women in Europe.
- Women attained high political office in many Western countries but not in the Soviet Union which seemed to undermine Soviet claims to equality.