HSHM235/HIST234: Final Exam

PART I: Identifications (20 points)

Identify TEN of the following. Take care to indicate the significance of each item you select.

- 1. Asclepius
- 2. auscultation
- 3. cowpox
- 4. Edwin Chadwick
- 5. fomites
- 6. Jonas Salk
- 7. Joshua Lederberg
- 8. Koch's Postulates
- 9. "library medicine"
- 10. oral rehydration therapy
- 11. Paracelsus
- 12. Purgative
- 13. Risanamento
- 14. Robert Gallo
- 15. spirochete

Part II: Essays (80 points)

Answer TWO of the following. Take care to support your main points with specific information.

1. By the end of the nineteenth century Asiatic cholera was successfully controlled in the industrialized nations of western Europe and the United States. How do you explain this development, and what factors were most responsible?

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3. Is it misleading to use the term "epidemic" to describe the slow-acting, endemic diseases tuberculosis and malaria as well as the fulminant outside invaders bubonic plague and influenza?

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