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JOURNALISM 132 – CURRENT EVENTS QUIZ #1

This quiz is in two parts – Facts and Short Answers. Facts are worth one point apiece and Short Answers are worth two points each, for a total of 10 points. There is no extra credit for answering more than is required. You have 30 minutes to complete the quiz, so budget your time accordingly. Please note that all names of people, places and organizations must be spelled correctly to receive credit.

I. Facts (6 points):

Answer six of the seven questions below – skip one question of your choice.

1. Massachusetts Senator John Kerry won both the Nevada and District of Columbia caucuses over the weekend. Kerry has now won 14 of the first 16 Democratic primaries and caucuses. His only losses have been in what two states?
2. Democratic presidential candidates met in a debate Sunday in what U.S. city?
3. A report of a bird flu strain led to the destruction of 12,000 chickens last week on a farm in what U.S. state?
4. More than 20 people were killed in earthquakes over the weekend in what country?
5. It was announced last week that scientists in what country used cloning processes to successfully create human embryos?
6. A bullet that struck an SUV over the weekend has been linked to 23 other shootings near what major city in Ohio?
7. Activists rioted and looted over the weekend in an uprising protesting the leadership of President Jean-Bertrand Aristide of what country?

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II. Short Answers (4 points):

Answer two of the three questions below – skip one question of your choice. Answers should generally be a sentence or two in length.

1. In spite of John Kerry's domination of the Democratic presidential primaries, Tuesday's primary in Wisconsin is regarded as important to one other candidate. Which candidate is this, and why is Wisconsin important to him?
2. The scientists in charge of the human cloning experiment (see Question 5 above) maintain that the purpose of their research is not to create cloned human beings. What is their stated purpose?
3. While California officially only recognizes marriages between a man and a woman, San Francisco Mayor Gavin Newsom acted to allow same-sex marriages on Thursday. What argument did he make to justify this?

**WHEN YOU ARE FINISHED, PLEASE HOLD ON TO THIS SHEET.
I WILL COLLECT THESE AT THE END OF THE ALLOTTED TIME.**