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Period _____

Outbreak

Answers should be typed in complete sentences and paragraphs, but do not need to be in one long essay; you can write #1: and then your answer.

1. July 1967, Zaire: Why did the two men decide to bomb the camp rather than provide supplies? Would you have made the same decision? Explain your reasoning.
2. Present Day, Medical Research Institute: As the biosafety level increased from one to four, describe the changes in precautions taken by the personnel working in each level.
3. What is significant about where Sam's team is sent to in Africa?
4. Describe the timeline of the Motaba virus and how it kills its victim as seen through the microscope in the BL4 lab of USAMRID.
5. Who was patient zero in America? How did he contract the virus?
6. What did the movie theater in Cedar Creek, CA show about how the virus was transmitted? What must have happened to the virus to make that possible?
7. Lt. Salt performed an Elisa test on the infected monkey from Rudy's pet shop. What is an Elisa test and what does it show? (You'll have to do some extra research in order to answer this question.)
8. Was the media blackout the most effective way to handle the situation in Cedar Creek? How do you think people would have reacted if they had been given all the information? Why do you think General McClintock ordered the media blackout?
9. Why were no other people sick on the Tae Kuk?
10. Explain how the host monkey could carry the virus but not be sick? (You might have to do some extra research in order to answer this question.)
11. The quote at the beginning of the movie stated, "The single biggest threat to mankind's continued dominance on this planet is the virus." Do you agree or disagree with this statement? If you agree, provide at least two pieces of evidence to support your belief. If you disagree, what other things do you think are a bigger threat?