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2. One final exam, Monday, December 16, 915 A.M. which will be worth 30 points.
3. One oral presentation which will be worth 30 points.
   ♦ 10-15 minutes on a topic related to Criminal Procedures and approved by me.
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