Comparative Politics Chapters 6 and 7 China or Russia Essay

Choose one of the following two case studies to write your essay. You **must include data** from Freedom House and Transparency International in the essay and you **may use data from previous data collections** to support your answers.

* Create a new tab in your Excel workbook. Collect data from [Freedom House’s Freedom in the World](https://freedomhouse.org/report/freedom-world/freedom-world-2019) database and from Transparency International’s [Corruption Perception Index](https://www.transparency.org/cpi2018). Scroll down the web pages to get to the dataset links.
* Go to the Country Study in each website and read the case studies for China, Russia, and/or Nigeria by writing the country name in the **Search** line. Properly cite your sources using your instructor’s preferred format.

1. From Chapter 6: Answer the three questions on page 134 (continues to page 422) in your essay. **In addition, answer this:** Are there any indications in China’s case study and data that might indicate the prospect that China is transitioning to democracy? **Begin** by stating your hypothesis that either China does or does not show signs of a future transition to democracy.

OR

2. From Chapter 7: Answer the two questions on page 156, (continues to page 537). In addition, answer this: If Russia is a competitive authoritarian regime rather than a liberal democracy or a fully authoritarian regime, when did it become one? Where does the case study and data indicate that such a change took place? **Begin** by stating *when you hypothesize* that Russia slide away from democracy to a hybrid regime.

OR

Return to the Nigeria case study and compare the data from Freedom House and Transparency International to the context of corruption and the development status. Update your essay using this data and the Country Studies.