Sophomore Midterm Exam Review Guide

Unit IV: The Early Modern Period, 1450-1750—The World Shrinks

1. Chapter 17: The Transformation of the West, 1450-1750
   1. Questions/Concepts
      1. How was the Renaissance a “rebirth” of civilization in the West, and why did it start in Italy?
      2. How did humanism represent a break from previous foci?
      3. Renaissance art and architecture.
      4. What were the causes and consequences of the Protestant Reformation?
      5. How did the European economy begin to transform in this period?
      6. Compare parliamentary monarchies with absolute monarchies. What accounted for the rise of both?
      7. How did European approach to science and philosophy change during this time?
   2. Important Places
      1. Italy
      2. England
      3. France
      4. Prussia
   3. Terms/People
      1. Leonardo da Vinci
      2. John Locke
      3. Isaac Newton
      4. Galileo
      5. Louis XVI
      6. Martin Luther
      7. Enlightenment
      8. Proletariat
      9. Treaty of Westphalia
      10. Natural Law
2. Chapter 18: The Rise of Russia
   1. Questions/Concepts
      1. Recovering from the Mongol conquest, challenges facing
      2. Strengthening of tsarist rule under the Ivans
      3. Peter I (The Great) and Catherine II (The Great) and limited westernization
      4. Social unrest and serfdom
   2. Important Places
      1. Black Sea and the Crimea
      2. Siberia
      3. Ural Mountains
      4. Baltic Sea
   3. Terms/People
      1. Ivan III
      2. Ivan IV
      3. Peter I
      4. Catherine II
      5. Pugachev
      6. Westernization
      7. Cossacks
      8. Romanov Dynasty
3. Chapter 21: The Muslim Empires
   1. Quesitons/Concepts
      1. Relationship between the decline of the Mongols and the rise of the Ottoman, Safavid, and Mughal.
      2. Reasons for Ottoman, Safavid, and Mughal decline
      3. Major differences between the Ottoman, Safavid, and Mughal
      4. Mughal problems in India
      5. Art and Splendor in the Muslim Empires
   2. Terms/People
      1. Mehmed II
      2. Janissaries
      3. Battle of Lepanto
      4. Battle of Chaldiran
      5. Akbar
      6. Din-i-Ilahi
4. Chapter 22: Asian Transitions in an Age of Global Change
   1. Questions/Comments:
      1. The nature of the Asian Sea Trading Network before and after European Arrival
      2. Portuguese v. Dutch and English modes
      3. European interest in the region
      4. Why was missionary success so limited?
      5. How does the Ming Dynasty model the typical dynastic cycle in China?
      6. How was the rise of the Ming a “restoration”?
      7. What is the significance of Zhenghe’s expedition?
      8. Rise of the Tokugawa Shogunate
      9. How did the Japanese deal with the European challenge?
   2. Important Places
      1. Ormuz, Gao, Calicut, Batavia
      2. Arab, Indian, Chinese Zones
      3. Japan
      4. The Philippines
      5. Java
   3. Terms/People
      1. Hongwu
      2. Tokugawa Ieyasu

Unit V: The Dawn of the Industrial Age

1. Chapter 23: The Emergence of Industrial Society in the West, 1750-1914
   1. Questions/Concepts
      1. Compare the American and French Revolutions
      2. Why did the French Revolution turn from moderate to radical?
      3. Napoleon Bonaparte and the spread of new nationalism
      4. Conservatives and the Congress of Vienna
      5. The difference between liberals and radicals
      6. How was the rise of industry revolutionary?
      7. Political developments in the industrial age & the consolidation of Italy and Germany
      8. Why socialism and feminism gained new traction in the mid-late 19th century
      9. How 19th century developments contributed to the alliance system that would break out into World War I.
   2. Important Places
      1. Balkans
      2. Italy
      3. Germany
      4. Great Britain
      5. France
      6. Austrian Empire
   3. Terms/People
      1. Louis XVI
      2. Maximilien Robespierre
      3. Napoleon Bonaparte
      4. Nationalism
      5. Conservatives, liberals, & radicals
      6. Count Camillo di Cavour and Otto von Bismarck
      7. Karl Marx and socialism
      8. Triple Alliance & Triple Entente
2. Chapter 24: Industrialization and Imperialism: The Making of the European Global Order
   1. Questions/Concepts
      1. The “Dutch model” on Java
      2. British consolidation in India
      3. Social reforms and race relations in the various colonies
      4. White Dominions, Tropical Dependencies, Contested Settler Colonies
      5. Reasons for and consequences of the Boer War
   2. Important Places
      1. India
      2. Java
      3. South Africa
      4. Australia
      5. New Zealand
      6. Hawaii
   3. Terms/People
      1. Sepoys
      2. British Raj
      3. Sati
      4. White Man’s Burden
      5. Maori