



World History

Unit VI Study Guide – Modern Era

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Directions: Use the following review questions to help you prepare for the upcoming Unit VI Test on the Modern Era.

Theme 1 - Conflict and Compromise

The frequent wide spread wars of the 20th century and the process of creating peace at the conclusion

1. Explain the causes of World War 1

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2. Explain the series events that led to the breakout of hostilities in World War I

3. List and explain the importance of three technological advances of World War I.

4. What was the western front and who was involved?

5. What was the Eastern front and who was involved?

6. What strategies did the different sides use in World War I?

7. How did World War I lead to the beginning of World War II

8. What was the German strategy at the beginning of World War II? How did they use the Blitzkrieg?

9. Why did World War II begin in the Pacific?

10. What was the allied strategy in the Pacific?

11. What was the importance of battles like in North Africa, Sicily, Italy, and France for the invasion of Russia?

12. Explain the importance of the following people

a. Vladimir Lenin

b. Joseph Stalin

c. P'u Yi

d. Sun Yat Sen

e. Mao Tse-Tung

f. Tsar Nicholas II

g. Adolf Hitler

h. Benito Mussolini

i. Winston Churchill

j. Charles De Gaulle

k. Franklin D. Roosevelt

l. Harry Truman

m. Joseph Stalin

Theme 2 - Reconciliation

Trying to heal old and new wounds in the relations between countries and peoples.

13. Explain the significance of the treaty of Versailles.

14. How did the Treaty of Versailles lead to economic problems in Germany following World War I

15. What did the different peace treaties accomplish at the end of World War II (Yalta, Potsdam)

Theme 3 - Hegemony

The rise of dominating super powers.

16. What were the similarities and differences between the Russian and the Chinese Revolutions?

17. What is a Cold War?

18. What is a proxy war? How does it connect to the Cold War

19. What is the significance of NATO?

20. What is the purpose of the Warsaw Pact?

21. Importance of the following events during the Cold War?

a. Berlin airlift

b. Berlin crisis

c. Malayan Crisis

d. Cuban Missile Crisis

- e. U-2 Incident
- f. Korean War
- g. Vietnam War
- h. Angolan Conflict
- i. Afghanistan conflict
- j. Building of the Berlin Wall

Theme 4 - Independence

The push for previously controlled peoples to break away and form new states.

- 22. Explain three reasons why the Soviet Union fell?

- 23. Explain the Monroe doctrine and its application in Central and South America.

- 24. Important political figures of the 20th century
 - a. Noriega
 - b. Peron
 - c. Guevara/Castro

- 25. Importance of the following events in Latin America
 - a. Cold War
 - b. World War II
 - c. Drug Trade

- 26. Understand and be able to explain the three different methods to decolonization.

- 27. What are the main current issues facing the African continent and how are they attached back to Africa's history? (Explain three different current issues and their connections.