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THE COURSE

In addition to providing a basic narrative of events and movements, the goals of the Advanced Placement Program in European History are to develop (a) an understanding of some of the principal themes in modern European History, (b) an ability to analyze historical evidence, and (c) an ability to analyze and to express historical understanding in writing.

Themes in Modern European History

The themes outlined below indicate some of the important areas that might be treated in an Advanced Placement course in European History. The ideas suggested do not have to be treated explicitly as topics or covered inclusively, nor should they preclude development of other themes. In addition, questions on the examination will often call for students to interrelate categories or to trace developments in a particular category through several chronological periods.

1. **Intellectual and Cultural History**

Changes in religious thought and church structure

The various changes in religious thought are addressed on pages 116-117, 122-124, 170-175, 189-190, 98-215, 230-237, 240-241, 276-296, 322-327, 392-396, 450-461, 475-481, 679-683

Secularization of learning and culture

The growth of secularized learning and its effects on culture are described on pages 360-364, 406-408, 420-428, 462-474, 549-559, 595-623, and 691-712; also see the *Historical Atlas of the World* on pages 56-57.

Scientific and technological developments and their consequences

Major developments in scientific thought are discussed on pages 595-623 and 813-814.

Major trends in literature and the arts

The student is exposed to major trends in arts throughout the text, especially on pages 364-368, 406-408, 422-428, 518-523, 766-772, and 935-940.

Intellectual and cultural developments and their relationship to social values and political events

The connections between cultural developments and socio-political events are discussed on pages 105-122, 146-158, 225-230, 247-256, 283-288, 335-349, 415-422, 428-445, 531-548, and 604-623.

Developments in social, economic, and political thought

Developments in social, economic and political thought are discussed across the centuries on pages 37-41, 47-58, 63-97, 110-116, 134-158, 163-170, 223-230, 243-256, 272-275, 349-360, 415-422, 428-445, 451-485, and 661-688.

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Developments in literacy, education, and communication

Changing attitudes toward literacy and education are discussed on pages 12, 207-214, 227-230, 335-349, 360-364, 371, 406-407, 408, 420-421, 428-433, 445, 611, 665, 668-670, 686-687, 800-801, 965-966, 1009-1011, and 1033.

The diffusion of new intellectual concepts among different social groups

Chapters 11 (pp. 334-371), 13 (pp. 414-445), 14 (pp. 450-480), 18 (pp. 594-623), 20 (pp. 660-684), and 25 (pp. 822-851) directly address diffusion of new concepts. The *Historical Atlas of the World* graphically demonstrates this same diffusion of intellectual concepts (pp. 11-12, and 17-18).

Changes in popular culture, such as the development of new attitudes toward religion, the family, and work

Chapters 20 (pp. 660-684), 22 (pp. 724-749), 24 (pp. 788-817), and 26 (pp. 856-886), 28 (pp. 926-952) and 30 (pp. 992-1025) describe the evolution of new attitudes toward religion, family, and work.

Impact of global expansion on European culture

Chapters 17 (pp. 564-589), 19 (pp. 628-656), 21 (pp. 690-718), 23 (pp. 754-784), 24 (pp. 795-825), and 25 (pp. 822-851) describe the effects on Europe of global expansion. See also Chapters 27 (pp. 891-922) and 29 (pp. 956-987) for discussions of World War I and World War II.

2. Political and Diplomatic History

The rise and functioning of the modern state in its various forms

Chapters 18 (pp. 594-623), 21 (pp. 690-718), 23 (pp. 754-784), 24 (pp. 788-817), and 25 (pp. 822-851) introduce the student to the evolution of the modern nation-state.

Relationships between Europe and other parts of the world: colonialism, imperialism, decolonization, and global interdependence

The progression from colonialism to global interdependence is described in the following chapters: 15 (pp. 487-518), 16 (pp. 531-559), 18 (pp. 595-623), 21 (pp. 691-718), 23 (pp. 755-784), 25 (pp. 789-817), 26 (pp. 857-886), 30 (pp. 993-1025), and 31 (pp. 1031-1059).

The evolution of political elites and the development of political parties and ideologies

Growth of political elites and the resultant growth of political parties are described on pages 614-624, 691-722, 755-787, 789-817, 848-851, 957-987, and 1031-1063.

The extension and limitation of rights and liberties (personal, civic, economic, and political); majority and minority political persecutions

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The following chapters discuss the extension and limitation of rights throughout the centuries: 13 (pp. 428-444), 15 (pp. 512-517), 17 (pp. 567-568, 576-584), 21 (pp. 690-703), 23 (pp. 772-783), 25 (pp. 834-840), 26 (pp. 871-885), and 30 (pp. 996-1035).

The growth and changing forms of nationalism

This concept is presented in Chapter 25 (pp. 822-851). See also pages 871-885, 891-903, 908-915, and Chapter 29 (pp. 956-987).

Forms of political protest, reform and revolution

Various forms of political protest, reform and subsequent revolution throughout the centuries are described on pp. 151-157, 453-461 and in Chapters 16 (pp. 530-559), 21 (pp. 690-718), 23 (pp. 754-784), 25 (pp. 822-851), and 27 (908-922).

Relationship between domestic and foreign policies

The juxtaposition of domestic and foreign policies is discussed on pages 856-885, 904-907, 916-921, 940-951, 992-995, and 1024-1031.

Efforts to restrain conflict: treaties, balance-of-power diplomacy, and international organizations

Recent efforts to restrain conflict are described on pages 891-895, 916-925, and 976-977. The role of international organizations is mentioned on pages 994, 995, 997, 988-989, 1001, 1003, and 1053-1055.

War and civil conflict: origins, developments, technology, and their consequences

The events leading up to, and the description and consequences of various major wars are described on pages 754-784, 813-816, 834-840, 890-922, 956-987, and 992-1025.

3. Social and Economic History

The role of urbanization in transforming cultural values and social relationships

The role of urbanization is discussed on pages 349-359, 635-637, and 788-817.

The shift in social structures from hierarchical orders to modern social classes: the changing distribution of wealth and poverty

This shift is discussed throughout pages 2-32, 36-58, 62-99, 134-158, 300-329, 378-408, 512-517, 660-684, 724-749, and 788-817.

The influence of sanitation and health care practices on society, food supply, diet, famine, disease, and their impact

The influences of both disease and wellness on society are described on pages 102-103, 256-258, 565-568, 667-668, 670-679, 790-793, and 809.

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The development of commercial practices and their economic and social impact

The rise of commerce and development of commercial practices, and their resultant effects on society are traced on pages 102-103, 256-258, 374-375, 379-381, 400-403, 420-422, 628-656, 724-749, 788-817, 856-870, 944-952, and 1009-1025.

Crime and resistance to social norms

Crime and law are discussed on pages 18-21, 399-401, 433-435, 612-613, 666-668 and 806. For resistance to social norms see pages 273-275, 809, 996-1003, 1009-1015, and 1028-1029.

The origins, development, and consequences of industrialization

Industrialization, and its growth and impact on society are discussed on pages 120-122, 185, 637-656, 724-753, 857-886, and 944-952. The *Historical Atlas of the World* also demonstrates graphically the impact of industrialization (p. 51).

Change and continuity in the European family structure

The changes made in the family structure during the last two centuries in Europe are discussed on pages 219-223, 300-329, 396-408, 428-439, 445, 512-523, 637-643, 660-686, 740-749, 788-817, and 1011-1015.

Changes in the demographic structure of Europe, and their consequences

Consequences of changes in the demographics of Europe are described on pages 198-236, 262-267, 371-382, 628-656, and 856-886. The *Historical Atlas of the World* graphically demonstrates these changes (pp. 22-23, 26-27, 30, 34-35, 46, and 50).

Gender roles and their influence on work, social structure, and interest group formation

The impact of gender roles is described on pages 185, 322-398, 428-436, 512-517, 643, 662-668, 674, 741, 746-748, 807-810, 841, and 1022-1025.

The growth of competition and interdependence in national and world markets

Growth and interdependence of world markets is described specifically on pages 940-952, 1015-1021, and 1046-1059.

Private and state roles in economic activity

The role of any state in economic activities is described on pages 300-314, 349-359, 644-655, 734-748, 996-1003, 1015-1021, 1031-1059, and 1062.

Development of racial and ethnic group identities

Development of racial identities is discussed on pages 396-397, 403-406, 435-437, 516-518, 652-654, 658-659, 836-837, 878-880, 881, 899, 970-971, 977, 981-983, 1001, 1003-1004, 1031, 1048-1049, and 1054.