

Social Studies Final Exam

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On a blank map you should be able to identify the following places

A. Danube River, Rhine River, English Channel, Mediterranean Sea, European Plain, The Alps Mountains, Pyrenees, Ural Mountains, Iberian Peninsula, and Scandinavian Peninsula B. France, Germany, Russia, Spain, Belgium, Italy, Poland, Russia, Ukraine, and United Kingdom

1. What is the name of Europe's rich farmland? **European Plain**
2. What environmental issue is a major concern in Germany? **Acid Rain**
3. Name the largest country in the world? **Russia**
4. The worst nuclear disaster in history occurred in which place in Europe? **Chernobyl**
5. What type of languages are French and Italian? **Romance**
6. Name the three main language groups in Europe. **Slavic, Romance, Germanic**
7. What is the major religion in Eastern and Western Europe? **Christianity (largest in Europe)**
8. Fastest growing religion in Europe? **Islam**
9. Explain the differences between: Christianity, Islam, Judaism see notes
10. Romance Languages, Germanic Languages, Slavic Languages see notes
11. Know solutions to so many languages being spoken in Europe: **many children are taught in multiple languages**
12. What part of the Treaty of Versailles was the most damaging to Germany? **Reparations... large sums of money**
13. What country was in charge of the Eastern Bloc (Germany): **Soviet Union**
14. Know the Axis, Allied, Central Powers
15. Explain a difference in Germany and Slavic Languages: **different alphabet**
16. Know the sacred texts for all 3 major religions: Christianity-Bible, Judaism-Torah, Islam-Koran
17. What is the importance of being a literate person: **able to read and write, high paying job, educated children, high standard of living**
18. Know the cause of the Russian Revolution: **food shortages,**
19. What action did the UN take after the Holocaust? **Created Israel, genocide as a crime**
20. What marked the end of the Cold War: **reunification of Germany, break up of Soviet union**
21. Who is Prince Henry the Navigator, why was he important? **Started school of navigation, sent explorer to explore Africa**
22. What religion did he spread to countries: **Christianity**
23. Define Nationalism: **extreme pride in your country**
24. Describe Unification of Germany? **East and West Germany were reunited after Berlin Wall was destroyed**
25. Who is Adolf Hitler? **Dictator, Nazi, Chancellor of Germany WWII**

26. Which explorer navigated through Canada?
27. Explain: God, Gold, Glory:
28. Which Explorer sailed all around the world? **Ferdinand Magellan**
29. What country was he/she from? **Spain**
30. Where is the Cape of Good Hope? **South Africa**
31. What country once controlled Canada and Louisiana? **France**
32. What was the spark that started WW1? **Assassination of Archduke**
33. Where was the Berlin Wall located? **City of Berlin**
34. Describe the cause of WW2: **Treaty of Versailles, Germany being broken, Hitler's Rise to Power**
35. Which groups of people were persecuted during the Holocaust? **Jew,**
36. Define and explain and provide examples: Unitary, Federation, Confederation **see notes**
37. Define and explain and provide examples: Oligarchy, Autocracy, Democracy **see notes**
38. Know the difference between: Parliamentary Democracy and Presidential Democracy: **think about how the leaders are created...**
40. What is the benefit of the European Union? **Large competitive market in Europe**
41. What is a tax on imported goods? **embargo**
42. Be able to describe the governments in the following countries: UK, Russia, Germany: **Study Chart:**
43. Know the following: Command, Mixed, Market Economies: **see notes**
44. **Be able to describe: Tax, Quota, Embargo**
45. **What was the "Iron Curtain"? imaginary wall created to separate Eastern and Western Europe**
46. Why do people exchange currency when visiting foreign countries? **So they can buy goods in foreign countries**

Short Answer: You will have to answer two of the following three short answer questions on the test:

Must be at least one paragraph: 5-7 sentences; if it is a two part question both sections must be completed.

- A. Choose one of the three religions of Europe. Imagine that you have to tell someone the essential facts about that religion using only five sentences.
- B. Think about the parliamentary and presidential systems. Describe one way in which they are alike and three ways they differ.
- C. How is life for people in the United Kingdom different from life for people in Russia because of the location in the world?
- D. Explain the four causes of WWI. Which cause do you feel was the most important?