

Grade 8 Review Guide for Final Exam

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1. How are people's attitudes and values shaped by the way that a society is organized?
 2. In what ways do religious beliefs shape a society's worldview?
3. What were the main features of the worldview that emerged during the Renaissance?

1. What factors contributed to the rise of trade between Western Europe and the East at the beginning of the Renaissance?
 2. How did increased trade lead to the emergence of powerful city-states in Italy?

1. Which ideas from classical times helped to form the Renaissance humanist worldview?
 2. How can thinkers and philosophers bring about changes in society?
 3. What do the arts tell about a society?

1. How can discoveries in the sciences shape people's worldview?
2. What role do leaders play in changing or maintaining worldview?
 3. How do ideas and knowledge spread?

1. What elements of the worldview of renaissance Europeans led to exploration and expansionism?
2. How did the exchange of knowledge and technology make European exploration possible?
3. How did the desire and the means to explore in the Renaissance foster an expansionist worldview?

1. What does the Europeans' treatment of peoples they come into contact with reveal about their worldview?
 2. How did the Age of Exploration affect Europeans' lives and worldviews?

1. How might a society's worldview influence its ability to adapt to its physical geography?
 2. How did religious beliefs affect the worldview of the Aztecs?
3. How did the Aztec worldview influence the way people interacted with other cultures?

1. How did the structure of the Aztec society tell us what was important to the Aztec people?

2. How are a society's social structure & its educational system related?

3. How can a society promote good citizenship?

1. How might the location of a country influence its religious experience?

2. In what ways did King Ferdinand & Queen Isabella impose their religious worldview on Spanish society?

3. In what ways did the desire for gold & glory shape Spanish actions during the 1400's & 1500's?

1. How does a leader's worldview affect his/her choices & decisions?

2. In what ways did technology & disease contribute to Spanish dominance over the Aztecs?

3. How did the worldview of the Spanish & the Aztecs influence the strategies they used against one another?

1. How can losing a war affect a conquered people's worldview?

2. How can intercultural contact produce a new society that combines aspects of both original societies?

1. How did Japan's geography influence the Japanese sense of identity?

2. In what ways can the natural environment influence religious practices and values?

3. How did Japan's self sufficiency contribute to the Japanese worldview?

1. How can military power and social structure be used to maintain control in a society?

2. How did social controls shape Japanese identity and citizenship?

3. What threats had the Japanese government faced from contact with a difference culture?

1. Why and how did Japan isolate itself from the rest of the world?

2. In what ways did isolation lead to political, economic, and social changes in Japanese society?

3. How did isolation contribute to the end of Japan's closed, feudal society?

1. What factors motivated Japan's decision to end its traditional isolation?

2. To what extent did the changes made during the Meiji Restoration affect the lives of Japanese citizens?

3. What characteristics of Japanese culture allowed for successful and rapid industrialization?

1. In what ways did resistance to rapid change lead to a return to a traditional Japanese worldview?
2. What role did rapid change play in Japan becoming a military power with an expansionist worldview?
3. How did the Japanese maintain their sense of identity through the Meiji period and beyond?