

American History Semester Exam Review

Second Semester (1877 – 1975)

Chapters 13 – 31

Note to Students: This outline provides the basic information for each chapter covered this semester. Use this as a tool to help focus your studies!

Chapter 13 Changes on the Western Frontier (1860-1900)

Terms: Wounded Knee, “goldbugs”, free silver, Exodusters, Frederick Jackson Turner, barbed wire

Concepts:

- results of wars with Native Americans
- Populist reforms (list of reforms desired); why did farmers want the coinage of silver?
- equality on the frontier

Chapter 14 The Expansion of American Industry (1865-1900)

Terms: “yellow dog” contracts, vertical & horizontal consolidation, Thomas Edison, Andrew Carnegie, Gospel of Wealth

Concepts:

- unequal distribution of wealth; where was the concentration of wealth?
- shifting trends in population
- availability of workers, growth of immigration, why did workers accept poor working conditions?
- reasons for industrial growth

Chapter 15 Politics, Immigration, and Urban Life (1877-1920)

Terms: Nativists, Interstate Commerce Act, settlement houses, Pendleton Act, New Immigrants

Concepts:

- results of the spoils system
- causes of rapid urbanization and its problems
- effect of political machines, relationship with immigrants?
- who were prohibitionists and purity crusaders?
- public reaction to McKinley’s assassination
- what caused people to move to the cities?

Chapter 16 Cultural and Social Transformations (1870-1915)

Terms: W. E. B. DuBois, Booker T. Washington, *Plessy v. Ferguson*, Jim Crow laws, NAACP

Concepts: effect of American schools on blacks and immigrants, Victorian ideals (what did they see as a social ill?), *de facto* v. legislated (*de jure*) segregation

Chapter 17 The Era of Progressive Reform (1890-1920)

Terms: Federal Reserve System, National Parks, Florence Kelly, arbitration, 16th, 17th, 18th, 19th amendments, Ballinger- Pinchot Affair, Federal Trade Commission, United Mine Workers strike

Concepts:

- TR’s programs and accomplishments (3 C’s: corporations, consumption, conservation)
- Taft’s “trust busting”
- Progressive beliefs
- support, opposition, and lasting effect of women’s suffrage
- ownership of public utilities and municipal reformers
- opposition to Taft
- Wilson’s reforms

Chapter 18 Becoming a World Power (1890-1913)

Terms: “Remember the Maine”, Open Door Policy, Roosevelt Corollary, Yellow Journalists

Concepts:

- effects of extending the Monroe Doctrine; Olney and the Venezuela Boundary Dispute
- causes, goals, and results of the Spanish-American War
- importance and opposition to the building of the Panama Canal
- achievements of Teddy Roosevelt’s presidency

Chapter 19 The World War I Era (1914-1920)

Terms: Stalemate, *Lusitania*, Zimmerman Note, Vladimir Lenin, Treaty of Versailles, the “Lost Generation”, *the Hun*

Concepts: Causes and effects of WWI in Europe, Reasons for US involvement, African Americans in WWI, U.S. Government Regulations on Economy during WWI, Opposition to the League of Nations, Mood of the 1920’s

Chapters 20-21 The Roaring 1920s (1919-1929)

Terms: Palmer Raids, Sacco and Vanzetti Case, Marcus Garvey, Fundamentalism, Scopes Trial, Harlem Renaissance, the Red Scare

Concepts: Revival of the KKK, fundamentalists and evolution, effect of Henry Ford’s moving assembly line, causes and effects of Prohibition, return to isolationism

Chapter 22 Crash and Depression (1929-1933)

Terms: Stock Market Crash, the Scottsboro Boys, Election of 1932 (Why did FDR win?)

Concepts: Causes and results of the Great Depression, Dow Jones in October 1929, Hoover and *Laissez Faire*, Criticisms of Hoover, FDR’s solution for the Great Depression in the 1932 election

Chapter 23 The New Deal (1933-1938)

Terms: Eleanor Roosevelt, Social Security, the Wagner Act, court-packing

Concepts: FDR’s presidency, legacy of the Depression, growth of “big government,” effect of the New Deal and criticisms of the New Deal, socialists in the 1930s

Chapters 24-25 World War II (1939-1945)

Terms: Fascism, *Blitzkrieg*, holocaust, Lend-lease, neutrality, Pearl Harbor, Atlantic Charter (4 freedoms), fascism, atomic bomb, island-hopping, the Manhattan Project

Concepts:

- U.S. position/policy before entering World War II
- Allied strategy (Hitler-first – why?)
- treatment of women and blacks in military
- turning points of the war in Europe and the Pacific
- why the atomic bomb? (Harry Truman)

Chapters 24-25 World War II at Home (1941-1945)

Terms: Japanese internment (and reaction), Rosie the Riveter

Concepts: effect on the economy, anti-Japanese sentiment

Chapter 26 The Cold War and American Society (1945-1960)

Terms: Alger Hiss and the Rosenbergs, Domino Theory, Kennan’s Containment Theory, NATO & SEATO Hungarian Revolution, Dien Bien Phu, nuclear arms race, the “Iron Curtain”, Marshall Plan, Communist Bloc, Berlin Air Lift, Berlin Blockade, Berlin Wall, 38th Parallel, Douglas MacArthur (in Korea)

Concepts:

- Causes and effects of the “Cold War”
- what happened to Eastern Europe after the war?
- causes and effects of the Korean War

- effects of McCarthyism
- effectiveness of the UN Security Council,

Chapter 27 The Postwar Years at Home (1945-1960)

Terms: Sputnik, *Brown v. Board of Ed.*, Kennedy's election, Taft Hartley Act, Governor Faubus, Montgomery Bus Boycott, Martin Luther King, Rosa Parks, rock n' roll, James Dean

Concepts:

- Role of women
- changing emphasis on education (i.e. GI Bill)
- baby boomers effect on society and the economy (future effects on Social Security)
- the Eisenhower years: foreign policy and Cold War; domestic policy

Chapter 28 The Kennedy and Johnson Years (1960-1968)

Terms: Camelot, Bay of Pigs, Cuban Missile Crisis, Warren Commission

Concepts: Kennedy's New Frontier vs. Johnson's Great Society (what did each try to accomplish? success and failures?); How was the Cuban Missile Crisis resolved?

Chapter 29 The Civil Rights Movements (1960-1968)

Terms: Civil Disobedience, Malcolm X, major organizations

Concepts: Successes of the Civil Rights movement, Assassination of Martin Luther King, Jr.

Chapter 30 The Vietnam War and American Society (1960-1975)

Terms: Gulf of Tonkin Resolution 1964, Escalation 1965-1968, Nixon's Vietnamization policy, attacks on Cambodia

Concepts:

- How/why did the US become involved? John F. Kennedy's response?
- Why was television important?
- What was fighting like in Vietnam?
- How did the war end?

Chapter 31 Continuing Social Revolution (1960-1975)

Terms: ERA, the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Rachel Carson

Concepts: Causes and effects of the women's movement, and other important social movements

Good Luck!

Final Examination Schedule 2007

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| Monday, May 21, 2007 | 7-period day for exam review (XFABCDE) |
| Tuesday, May 22, 2007 | F mod exam; E mod exam |
| Wednesday, May 23, 2007 | D mod exam; C mod exam |
| Thursday, May 24, 2007 | B mod exam; A mod exam |
| Friday, May 25, 2007 | Homeroom (lock return, etc.); X mod exam |