AP Human Geography Summer Work Welcome to Miss Webb's AP Human Geography Class!

Hello and welcome to my class! I can't wait to have you join me this year as we explore Human Geography and your first college course in one go! If you don't know me already, I am Miss Jasmine Webb. To prepare you for the course, this summer assignment is designed to refresh your memory about certain historical events to help you have a better general understanding of the context of the class. I'll see you all in August and if you have any questions, feel free to email me at jwebb@bullochacademy.com. I'll be checking it about once a week just in case! :)

This summer you will watch a list of Crash Course videos on world history topics to refresh your memory. This information will be the foundation for your learning in AP Human Geography. As you watch each video, you will complete a set of questions found in this packet with hand written answers. Be sure to answer every question fully. This packet with hand written answers are due on the first day of school, August 7th, 2025. I will **NOT** accept a typed copy of this packet. My suggestion would be to get a separate piece of paper and write your answers in a numbered format to better organize yourself, but I won't have any issues if you choose to write on this assignment directly.

You will take a quiz over the information included in this packet on the first day of school as well. The information you will need to be successful on this test is found in this packet. Be sure to look over the questions and notes found here before returning to school. It is suggested that you read over your completed packet once or twice a week throughout the summer, and daily in the week before school.

For your summer work, you will receive a test grade for completing this packet in its entirety accurately. Test grades are weighted heavily into your final grade. Be sure to try your best and complete your work so you can start the year with two great grades.

You can access the videos by searching for each video. I have also created a youtube playlist with all of the videos you will need to watch. You can access it by going to this URL:

Miss Webb's APHG Summer Assignment Playlist

Buddha and Ashoka: Crash Course World History #6

1. So as you no doubt remember,	the was one of the earliest cradles
of civilization and that original civil	ization basically disappeared sometime after 1750 BCE.
	f migration, people from the Caucasus who left
behind religious texts, called the _	the earliest texts of what will come to be known as
3. The system is one of	India's most enduring and fascinating institutions. Let us
read from one of the Vedas about	Purusha, the universe-pervading spirit, was divided and gives
a divine explanation for the caste	system.
	Purusha's speak (to the gods), are at the top.
• Kshatriyas – from Purusha's arm	
Vaishyas – the	and who provide money for the priests
and the warriors came from Purus	ha's thighs.
• And the Sudras – are at the botto	om. They're the feet, the and
who are the foun	dation of the social order.
4. The Caste System is the foundation	ation for another big concept in Hinduism,
, basically one's re	ole in life and society and it is defined primarily by birth and by
caste.	
5. Samsara, Moksha, and Karma	- There are both and reasons
	social reason is obvious that dharma and caste combine for
excellent social cohesion.	
	cycle of, often called reincarnation, is
basic idea is that when you die yo	ur soul is transferred to another living thing as it is being born.
And if you fulfill your dharma, thing	gs improve and you get re-born into a higher being.
 The ultimate goal is to be release 	ed from the ", this
is called moksha.	
	er is which is summarized really nicely in the
	f good becomes good. The doer of evil becomes evil. One
becomes virtuous by virtuous action	•
	Gautama, whose father kept him locked away in a palace
• • •	the family would lose the kingdom if he ever left. But as house
	iddhartha had great food, great entertainment, and a hot
-	ected there was more to life, so he snuck out of the palace a
	countered an old man, a sick man, and finally a corpse.
-	fering, Siddhartha left the palace, renounced the crown and
•	y to find out how it could be possible that life would come to
such a terrible end.	
6. Eventually Gautama became ar	n ascetic, and meditating for days at a
time, hoping to find	And finally, after meditating for about a month under
	e finally understood the meaning of life and began teaching it
	disciples. He had become the Buddha, which means teacher,
and he taught the	They are:
• All life is	
 The source of suffering is 	. Not just sexual desire, but all wanting of stuff and

prestige.
To stop suffering, you must yourself of desire.
• So how do you do it? By following the, which as you might
suspect is a set of eight prescriptions on how to live.
7. So as a religion, Buddhism involves a lot of and moderation and if
you're a Buddhist monk you don't get to have power like most holy people do; you have to
everything.
8. Buddhism eventually migrated to and became a religion with fun rituals and all
kinds of great stuff that Siddhartha Gautama probably wouldn't even have recognized.
9. Buddhism was very attractive if you were a low-caste Hindu, because there is no
system. In theory, anyone who follows the Eightfold path and renounces desire can
be freed from suffering and achieve nirvana, maybe even in THIS life instead of having to get
re-born for maybe millennia and knowing that each time there is only a tiny chance that you will
end up something awesome.
10. For most of Indian history, India it was not one place; it was tons of
different principalities and city-states and everything else. But India did experience indigenous
political unification twice, first under the Mauryan Dynasty in the century BCE. And
then again under the Dynasty from the 300's to the 500's CE. 9:38
11. One particular leader from the Mauryan Dynasty, Ashoka, attempted to rule through
quasi principles from 269 to 232 BCE. Ashoka was initially a
who ended up expanding the empire that his grandfather started. Ashoka experienced this
conversion to Buddhism after he saw his own army devastate the Kingdom of Kalinga. So,
Ashoka built stupas, mound-like monuments to the Buddha, all over his kingdom to show his
He also put up pillars throughout his empire that proclaimed his benevolent
rule.
12. Ashoka's empire wasn't actually very Buddhist because ultimately Buddhism isn't that
concerned with the of the world. Buddhism argues that the fulfillment of the self will
lead to the order of the world. In the end, Ashoka's empire didn't outlast him by much, and soon
enough Buddhism in India, almost to the point of extinction.
13. Hinduism is the most flexible of all the world religions, which is part of the reason it's
often described as The belief that god(s) can take many different forms
makes it easy for Hinduism to other religious traditions; which is exactly what
happened with Buddhism. In time the Buddha came to be worshipped as another
of one of the Hindu gods, and not as a mortal teacher. So in the end, Hinduism,
rather than purging the Buddha, enveloped him.
14. So all this means that while Hinduism has a tremendous amount of variety and flexibility,
its core tenets of samsara, karma, and the caste system have provided a remarkable amount of
cultural and social to the Indian subcontinent for millennia.

The Silk Road and Ancient Trade: Crash Course World History #9 1. The Silk Road was not a road; it was an _____ route where merchants carried goods for trade. But it was really two routes: One that connected the Mediterranean to Asia and one that went from Central Asia to 2. Further complicating things, the Silk Road involved routes: Many goods reached Rome via the Mediterranean, and goods from Central Asia found their way across the to Japan and even Java. 3. So we shouldn't think of the Silk Road as a road but rather as a fixed of trade routes. 4. So what'd they trade? Well silk, for starters. For millennia, silk was only produced in _____. It is spun from the cocoons of _____ tree-eating worms and the process of silk making as well as the techniques for raising the worms were closely guarded secrets, since the lion's share of China's wealth came from silk production. 5. But the Silk Road wasn't all about silk. The Mediterranean exported such clichéd goods as , olive oil, and wine. China exported raw materials like , silver, and iron. India exported fine ______ textiles; the _____ that originated in East Africa made its way across the Silk Road; and Arabia exported _____ and spices and tortoise shells. 6. With the growth of the Silk Road, the _____ people of Central Asia suddenly become much more important to world history. Much of Central Asia isn't great for agriculture, however, it lends itself fairly well to _____, and since nomads are good at moving around, they're also good at moving stuff from Point A to Point B, which makes them good traders. Plus all their travel made them more resistant to diseases. 9. The cities that had been founded by nomadic peoples became hugely important. They continued to grow, because most of the trade on the Silk Road was by _____, and they had to stop frequently; these towns became fantastically wealthy: 10. Silk was so popular among the Roman elite that the Roman senate repeatedly tried to it, complaining about trade imbalances caused by the silk trade and also that silk was inadequately _____. And yet all attempts to ban silk failed, which speaks to how much, even in the ancient world, _____ shaped governance. 12. Did the Silk Road affect the rest of us? Yes, for three reasons. First, wider impact. Relatively few people could afford silk, but a lot of people devoted their lives to making that silk. Second, the Silk Road didn't just trade luxury goods. In fact, arguably the most important thing traded along the Silk Road: _____. For example, the Silk Road was the primary route for the spread of • The variation of Buddhism that took root in ______, Korea, Japan, and Central Asia is known as Mahayana Buddhism, and it differed from the original teachings of the Buddha in many ways, but one that was fundamental. For Mahayana Buddhists, the Buddha was _____. The idea of _____ also transformed from a release from that cycle of suffering and desire to something much more heavenly. Rather than focusing on the fundamental fact of suffering, Mahayana Buddhism offered the hope that through worship of the

Buddha, or one of the many bodhisattvas – _____ who could have achieved

vana but chose to hang out on Earth with us-one could attain a good afterlife.
Many merchants on the Silk Road became strong supporters of which in
rn became convenient weigh stations for caravans.
third reason the Silk Road changed all our lives, worldwide interconnectedness of
opulations led to the spread of Measles and Smallpox traveled along it, as did
bonic plague, which came from the East to the West in 534, 750, and—most
vastatingly—in This last plague—known as the
uropeans dying in a four-year period. If you look at it that way, the
stered by Silk Road affected way, way more people than just those rich enough to buy silk,
st as today's globalization offers both promise and threat to each of us.

Christianity from Judaism to Constantine: Crash Course World History #11 1. Any understanding of Christianity has to start with ____ because Jesus was born a Jew, and he grew up in the Jewish tradition. He was one of many teachers spreading his ideas in the Roman province of Judea at the time, and he was part of a tradition that helps us understand why he was thought of not only teacher but something much, much more. 2. The initially worshipped many gods, making sacrifices to them in order to bring good weather and good fortune. But they eventually developed a religion centered on an idea that would become key to the other great western religions. This was _____, the idea that there is only one true god 3. The Hebrews developed a second concept that is key to their religion as well: the idea of the , a deal with God. The main man in this was . 4. So, some important things about this god: 1. _____. He—and I'm using the masculine pronoun because that's what Hebrew prayers use—does not want you to put any gods before Him. 2. He is also ______, having always existed and he is deeply personal – he chats with prophets, sends locusts, etc. He doesn't take corporeal form like the Greek and Roman gods do. 5. Probably most important to us today, and certainly most important to Jesus, this god demands _____ righteousness and _____ justice. So, this is the god of the Hebrews, _____, and despite many ups and downs, the Jewish people have stuck with him for- according to the Hebrew calendar, at least- over 5700 years. 6. By the time that Jesus was born, the land of the Israelites had been absorbed into the Empire as the province of Judea. Both Herods ultimately took their orders from the Romans, and they were Hellenizers, bringing in theater and architecture, and rationalism. 7. In response to those Hellenistic influences, there were a lot of preachers trying to get the Jews to return to the traditions and the godly ways of the past, including the Sadducees, the the Essenes, and the Zealots. And one of those preachers, who didn't fit comfortably into any of these four groups, was Jesus of _____. 8. Jesus was a preacher who spread his message of ______ love and, above all, across Judea. He was remarkably charismatic, attracting a small but incredibly loyal group of followers, and he was said to perform _____ —although it's worth noting that miracles weren't terribly uncommon at the time. 9. Jesus's message was particularly resonant to the and downtrodden and pretty radical in its anti-_____ stance. All of which was kind of threatening to the powers that be, who accordingly had him arrested, tried and then executed in the normal method of killing rebels at that time, _____ 10. So why would people believe that Jesus was the Messiah? First, the Jews had a long tradition of believing that a _____ who would come to them in a time of trouble. And Judea under the rule of Herod and the Romans... definitely a time of trouble. Also, many of the prophecies about this savior point to someone whose life looks a lot like Jesus's. So some religious Jews saw Jesus in those prophecies and came to believe either during his life or shortly thereafter, that he was the messiah.

11. There are three possible historical reasons why Jesus became more influential than

Augustus:

Reason #1: The Romans continued to make things bad for the Jews. In fact, things got	
much worse for the Jews, especially after they launched a revolt between 66-73 CE, which	did
not go well. By the time the dust settled, the Romans had destroyed the a	nd
expelled the Jews from Judea, beginning what we now know as the Jewish	
Without a Temple or geographic unity, the Jews had to solidify what it meant to be a Jew a	nd
what the basic tenants of the religion were. This forced the followers of Jesus to make a	
decision; were they going to continue to be Jews following stricter laws set forth by	
or were they going to be something else. The decision to open up their re	ligion
to, or gentiles, people who weren't part of the covenant, is the central reas	son
that Christianity could become a world religion instead of just a, of Judaisi	m.
Reason #2: Is related to reason number 1 and it's all about a dude named	
of Tarsus, who after having received a vision on the road to Damascus,	
became Paul and began visiting and sending letters to Jesus followers throughout the	
Mediterranean. And it was Paul who emphatically declared that Jesus followers did NOT h	ave
to be that they did not have to be circumcised or keep to Jewish laws. The	Э
other thing to remember about Paul is that he was a citizen which meant t	that
he could travel freely throughout the Roman Empire. This allowed him to make his case to	lots
of different people and facilitated the spread of Christianity.	
Reason #3: Christianity was born and flourished an empire with a common	
that allowed for its spread. And crucially, it was also an Empire in	
Like even by the end of the first century CE, Rome was on its way down.	For
the average person, and even for some elites, things weren't as good as they had been, if	fact
they were getting worse so fast that you might have thought the end of the world was comi	ng.
12. But then as the Roman decline continued, Emperor allowed the worsh	ıip
of Jesus and then eventually converted to Christianity himself.	

Islam, the C	Quran, and the Five Pil	llars: Crash Cours	se World History #13
1. Islam, which like	and	g	rew up on the east coast
of the Mediterranean.			
2. In less than	years Islam went	from not existing to	being the religious and
political organizing prin	ncipal of one of the large	est empires in the v	world.
3. The story begins in	the century CE	E when the angel G	Sabriel appeared to
Muhammad, a 40-ish	guy who made his living	as a caravan trade	er and told him to begin reciting
the word of God.			
4. A few things to know	w about the world Islam	entered: First, Mul	nammad's society was
intensely	He was a memb	er of the Quraysh	tribe, living in Mecca and tribal
ties were extremely im	-		
			is crazy religious melting
pot. Like most tribal A	rabs worshipped gods v	ery similar to the M	lesopotamian gods and by the
time of Muhammad, co	ult statutes of many of th	nose gods had bee	n collected in his hometown of
	ike structure called the _		
6. Arabia was also a h	ome for	like Christianit	y and Judaism, even a bit
of Zoroastrianism. So	the message that there	was only god woul	dn't have been like as
	ad as it was, for instanc		
7. At its core, Islam is	what we call a radical _	r	eligion—just like Jesus
and Moses sought to I	estore Abrahamic mond	otheism after what	they perceived as straying, so
too did Muhammad.			
	it God sent Muhammad		
			which involves the worship of,
	single and all-powerful G		
·	also acknowledges		_
	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		hristian bibles: For one thing it's
			Muhammad
	ns it's not written from th	ne point of view of p	people, it is seen as the actual
word of God.			
	ally broad-ranging text, b	-	- · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
			her is the importance of taking
care of those		than you.	
			and orphans,
	•		eren't that psyched about them
		_of Islam are the b	asic acts considered
obligatory, at least by			
		9	_: There is no god but god
and Muhammad is Go	• •		
	ual prayer	times a day-	—at dawn, noon,
afternoon, sunset, and			
			onth of Ramadan, in which
	drink or smoke cigarette		
		nich non-poor Mus	lims are required to give a
percentage of their inc	ome to the poor,		

e) and lastly	, the pilgrimage to Mecca that Muslims n	nust try to fulfill at
	d they are healthy and have enough mor	
13. One more thing about Islam	: Like Christianity and Judaism, it has a	body of law it's
called		
14. People who embraced this v	worldview were called Muslims, because	they submitted to
the will of God, and they becam	ie part of the, or comi	munity of believers.
	ng in Mecca grew, the umma aroused the	
most powerful tribe, the Qurays	h, because they managed the	trade in
Mecca, and if all those gods we	re false, it would be a disaster economic	ally.
16. The Quraysh forced Muham	nmad and his followers out of Mecca in 6	22 CE, and they
headed to Yithrab, also known a	as This journey, also	known as the Hijrah, is
so important that it marks year _	in the Islamic calendar.	
	ered the religion's ties to Judaism, turning	g the focus of prayer
away from to	o Mecca. Also in Medina, the Islamic con	nmunity started to look
	than like a church. Like, Jesus	
run.		
18. In addition to being an impo	rtant prophet, he was a good general an	d in, the
Islamic community took back M	ecca. They destroyed the	in the Kaaba, and soon
Islam was as powerful a politica	al force in the region as it was a religious	one.
19. When Muhammad died in 6	32 CE, there wasn't a religious vacuum I	eft behind:
Muhammad was the final proph	et; the revelation of the Quran would cor	ntinue to guide the
umma throughout their lives. Bu	it the community did need a political lead	ler, a
Soon dispu	tes over the new leader began the divide	between the two of the
major sects of Islam: Sunni and	Shi'a.	
20. To Sunnis, the first four calip	ohs—Abu Bakr, Umar, Uthman, and Ali—	- are known as the
	Caliphs, and many of the conserv	vative movements in the
	t trying to restore the Islamic world to the	
Islam became stabilized and sp	read across the Middle East and North A	Africa.
21. It's common to hear that in t	these early years Islam quote spread by	the
and that's pa	artly true; many people, including the	,
	litary campaigns. In fact, the Quran says	
an act of compulsion.		
22. While the Islamic Empire did	dn't require its subjects to convert to Islan	m, you paid lower
if you conve	rted.	
23. Not only were the Muslims of	great conquerors, they spawned an explo	osion of
	that lasted hundreds of ye	
of the classical texts, while Euro	ope was ignoring them, and they paved the	he way for the

- 1. What percentage of Native Americans died as a result of the transfer of European diseases to the New World? What diseases were the culprits?
- 2. What were the secondary effects of European diseases on the Native American population?
- 3. What was the one New World disease that was transferred to Afro-Eurasia as a result of the Columbian Exchange? How did it spread?
- 4. What New World product has been responsible for the most deaths of Afro-Eurasians since its introduction to the Old World?
- 5. Describe how the following Eurasian animals revolutionized life in the Americas...(a) the pig (b) oxen (c) horses
- 6. What was the most significant effect of the introduction of New World plants to Afro-Eurasia?
- 7. Describe how the following New World plants revolutionized life in Eurasia... (a) potato (b) manioc, a.k.a. cassava (c) sweet potato (d) corn
- 8. What was the significance of the transfer of people that occurred as a result of the Columbian Exchange?
- 9. In your opinion, should the world today be grateful for the Columbian Exchange? Why?

1. From 1500 to 1880 CE, somewhere between	African slaves were
forcibly moved from Africa to the Americas. And	about 15% of those people died during the
journey.	
2. Those who didn't die became	, bought and sold like any commodity.
3. Where Africans came from, and went to, char	
went to the Caribbean and 41% to Brazil—althou	ugh few Americans recognize this, relatively
slaves were imported to the U.S.—only	about of the total.
4. The first real "European" slave trade began af	ter the in 1204.
5. Most of them were who work	
worked processing sugar.	
6. One of the big misconceptions about slavery	was that Europeans somehow
Africans, put them in chains, st	uck them on boats, and then took them to the
7. In fact, Europeans obtained African slaves by	for them. Because trade
is a two-way proposition, this meant that African	
then traded to Europeans in exchange for	· • • — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — —
or guns.	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
8. In many places, slaves were one of the only s	ources of
because land was usually owned by the state.	
9. The lives of slaves were dominated by	, but mostly
work.	·
10. Slaves did all types of work, from housework	to skilled crafts work, and some even
worked as, but the majority of	them worked as agricultural
<u></u> .	
11. Slaves would often works	traight during harvest time, working without
in the sweltering sugar pres	s houses where the cane would be crushed in
hand rollers and then boiled.	
12. Slaves often caught their hands in the rollers	s, and their overseers kept a
on hand for amputation	ns.
13. Other slave owners were calculating that if the	• • •
would and then the slave or	wners could steal and sell their
Or use them to work their lan	
14. Atlantic World slavery was different, and mor	• •
a term historians use to indicate that the slaves	were
 15. Slavery is: "the permanent,	, and personal domination of naturally
alienated and generally perso	ns."
16. Ultimately then, what makes slavery slavery	
17. The Romans also invented the	, using mass numbers of slaves to
work the land on giant farms called latifundia.	
18 were the	e first to import large numbers of
Bantu-speaking Africans into their territory as sla	
19. As the first colonizers of the Americas and the	ne dominant importers of slaves, the
and the	helped define the attitudes that

characterized Atlantic slavery, beliefs they'd inherited from a complicated nexus of all the
slaveholders who came before them.
20. In short, Atlantic Slavery was a monstrous tragedy— but it was a tragedy in which the
participated.

Imperialism: Crash Course World History #35

1. When last we checked in, China was a thriv	
	in, especially as an
	uropeans had to use because they
didn't really produce anything else the Chines	
2. But then Europeans, especially the British,	found something that the Chinese would buy:
3. By the 1830s British free trade policy unlea	shed a flood of opium in China, which
threatened China's	.
4. Commissioner Lin Zexu drafted a response	
	all valuable products of ours, without which
foreigners could not live."	
5. So the Chinese made like	, confiscating a bunch of British
opium and chucking it into the	
6. The Treaty of Nanjing, stated that Britain go	ot Hong Kong and five other treaty ports, as
	in cash. Also, the Chinese basically gave up all
sovereignty to European "	
subject to their laws, not Chinese laws.	, wherem zarepeans were
7. You might think the result of this war would	he a shift in the
in Britain's favor, but that wasn't ir	
8. In fact, the British were importing so much	·
actually more than \$30 billion.	
	of the most destructive sivil reballions in
9. But eventually, after another war (and one of	
	g Rebellion) the situation was
and Europeans, especially the British became	the dominant
in China.	and the ACth county when the Destruction
10. Europeans had been involved in Africa sir	
used their to take control of o	cities on coasts to set up their
11. But in the second half of the 19th century,	
succeeded at basically a	ll of Africa.
	able to extend their grasp over so much of the
world was the same reason they wanted to do	so in the first place:
13 played its part, of co	ourse: But it was mostly about controlling the
means of production.	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
14. Europeans wanted colonies to secure sou	rces of raw materials, especially
, copper,, and ı	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
industrial economies.	3
15. And in addition to providing the motive for	. European
industrialization also provided the means.	
16. First, made	it possible for Europeans to travel inland
bringing supplies and personnel via Africa's n	
17. Even more important was	sometimes in

the form of tonic water mixed into refreshing, quintessentially British gin and to	nics.
18. But, of course, the most important technology that enabled Europeans to d	ominate
Africa was By the 19th century, European gun technology had impre	oved dramatically
especially with the introduction of the	, which
allowed Europeans to wipe out Africans in battle after battle.	
19. Alright so, here is something that often gets overlooked: European imperial	lism involved
a lot of and a lot of	
20. It's very, very important to remember that Africans did not meekly acquiesc	e to European
hegemony: they resisted, often, but ultimately they were	defeated by a
technologically superior enemy.	
21. So, by the end of the 19th century, most of Africa, and much of Asia, had b	een colonized
by	
22. Notable exceptions include which was happily pursuing its	own
imperialism—Thailand, Iran, and of course	
23. In most cases Europeans ruled their colonies with the help of, and sometim	nes
completely through, and collaborators.	
24. For the most part Europeans could almost always rely on their superior mil	itary
technology to coerce local rulers into doing what the Europeans wanted and th	ey could replace
native officials with Europeans if they had to, but in general they preferred to ru	ıle
It was and	
25. "," as it is sometimes known, is really at the	ne heart of
the imperialistic impulse: Industrialized nations push economic integration upor	n developing
nations, and then extract value from those developing nations, just as you wou	lld from a mine or
a field you owned.	

1. As we've seen from Egypt to Alexander the Great to China to Rome to the Mongols,
who, for once, are not the exception here, to the Ottomans and the Americas,has long been the dominant way we've organized ourselves politicallyor at least the way that other people have organized us.
2. The late 20th century was not the first time that empires disintegrated. Rome comes to
mind; also the Persians; and of course the Revolution ended one kind of
European imperial experiment. But in all those cases, Empire struck backBritain lost its 13
colonies, but later controlled half of and all of
3. What makes the recent decolonization so special is that at least so far, no empires have
emerged to replace the ones that fell. This was largely due to World War II because on some
level, the Allies were fighting to stop imperialism: Hitler wanted to take over
Central Europe, and Africa, and probably the Middle Eastand the Ally defeat of the Nazis
discredited the whole idea of empire.
4. The English, French, and Americans found it difficult to continue their imperialistic
ventures after the war since the troops fought alongside them; plus, most of the
big colonial powers had been significantly by World War II.
5. So, post-war happened all over the place: the British colony that had
once been "" became three independent nations. In Southeast Asia, French
became Cambodia, Laos, and Vietnam. And the Dutch East Indies became
When we think about decolonization, we mostly think about Africa.
6. Decolonization throughout Afro-Eurasia had some similar characteristics:
a. It occurred in the context of the, many of these new nations had to
choose between socialist and capitalist influences, which shaped their futures.
b. While many of these new countries eventually adopted some form of,
the road there was often rocky.
c. Also decolonization often involved, usually the overthrow of colonial
elites.
7. But we'll turn now to the most famous nonviolent decolonization: that of
8. So the story begins, more or less, in 1885 with the founding of the Indian
whose leaders were usually from the elite classes.
9. The best known Indian nationalist, Mohandas K A British educated
lawyer born to a wealthy family, he's known for making his own clothes, his long
, and his battles to alleviate poverty, improve the rights of, and
achieve a unified Indian independence from Britain. In terms of decolonization, he stands out
for his use of
10. Gandhi and his compatriot Jawaharlal believed that a single India could
continue to be ruled by Indian elites and somehow transcend the tension between the country's majority and its sizable minority.
11. In this they were less practical than their contemporary, Muhammad Ali,
the leader of the Muslim League who felt"that the unified India of which the Congress spoke
was an artificial one, created and maintained by British"
12. Jinnah proved correct and in 1947 when the British left, their Indian colony was
partitioned into the modern state of India and West and East, the latter of which
became Bangladesh in 1971.

13. While it's easy to congratulate both the British and the Indian governments on an orderly
and nonviolent transfer of power, the reality of partition was neither orderly nor nonviolent.
About million people were displaced as in Pakistan moved to India and
in India moved to Pakistan; as people left their homes, sometimes unwillingly,
there was violence.
14. Indonesia, a huge nation of overislands, was exploited by the
with the system of kultuurstelsel, in which all peasants had to set aside one
fifth of their land to grow cash crops for export to the Netherlands. This accounted for 25% of
the total Dutch national budget.
15. The Dutch couldn't even defend their colony from the, who occupied it
for most of World War II, during which time the Japanese furthered the cause of Indonesian
by placing native Indonesians in more prominent positions of power.
16. After the war, the Dutchwith British helptried to hold onto their Indonesian colonies
with so-called "," which went on for more than four years
before Indonesia finally won its independence in 1950.
17. Over in the French colonies of, so called because they were neither
Indian nor Chinese, things were even more violent
18. The end of colonization was disastrous in, where the 17-year reign of
Norodom Sihanouk gave way to the rise of the Khmer Rouge, led by Pol Pot, massacred a
stunning of Cambodia's population between 1975 and 1979.
19. In Vietnam, the French fought communist-led nationalists, especially
from almost the moment World War II ended until 1954, when the French were
defeated. Then the Americans quickly took over from the French, as part of the containment
policy; communists did not fully control Vietnam until
20. You'll remember that Egypt bankrupted itself in the 19th century, trying to industrialize
and ever since had been ruled by an Egyptian king who took his orders from the
So while technically Egypt had been independent since 1922, it was very
dependent independence.
21. But, that changed in the 1950s, when the king was overthrown by the army in a coup led
by Gemal Abdul, who proved brilliant at playing the US and the USSR off each
other to the benefit of Egypt.
22. Nasser's was a largely secular nationalism, and he and his successors saw one of the
other anti-imperialistic nationalist forces in Egypt, the, as a
threat. So once in power, Nasser and the army banned the Muslim Brotherhood, forcing it
underground, where it would disappear and never become an issue againor at least until
2011 with the "Arab Spring".
23. Central and Southern Africa colonial boundaries became redefined as the borders of
new nation states, even where those boundaries were arbitrary or, in some cases, pernicious.
The best known example is in, where two very different tribes, the Hutu and the
Tutsis were combined into one nation.
24. The colonizers' focus on value really hurt these new nations.
Europeans claimed to bring civilization and economic development to their colonies, but this
economic development focused solely on building infrastructure to get and
export them.

What are the three reasons why global trade and economic interdependence have increased dramatically in recent decades?
2. How is the computer you are using to watch this crash course an excellent example of how industrial production has changed since the 1960s?
3. In what ways has global capitalism been good to the human race?
4. Why has migration become easier in today's world?
5. How is the emergence of a globalized culture a paradox?
6. What are the reasons why people today live twice as long as humans two centuries ago?
7. What was the significance of the Green Revolution of the 1950s?

1. Identify and briefly describe TWO ways in which globalization has changed the psychology of upper-class people living in the industrialized world.
2. How has the increase in globalized consumption and production hurt the environment?
3. Discuss the shift towards democracy that has been on the rise since the 1980s and 1990s? In what ways has democracy been a success story in the nations of South Africa, India, and Brazil?
4. Does democracy and development go hand in hand? Cite specific examples.
5. Do you think that the forces of globalization will ultimately have a more positive or negative effect on the future of humanity? Explain your answer using specific details.
6. Is Globalization more of a continuity or change? Explain.