

**Mr. Corner**  
**European History (AP)**  
**Chapter 16 Study Questions**

*The Transatlantic Economy, Trade Wars, and Colonial Rebellion*

**Directions.** In thoughtfully answering the following questions, think expansively. What “terms” or “names” are important to the response? Always consider PERSIA.

- What were the fundamental ideas associated with mercantile theory?
  - Did they work?
  - Which European country was most successful in establishing a mercantile empire? Least successful? Why?
  
- What were the main points of conflict between Britain and France in North America, the West Indies, and India?
  - How did the Triangles of trade function between the Americas, Europe, and Africa?
  
- How was the Spanish colonial empire in the Americas organized and managed?
  - What changes did the Bourbon monarchs institute in the Spanish Empire?
  
- What was the nature of slavery in the Americas?
  - How was it linked to the economies of the Americas, Europe, and Africa?
  - In what respects was the plantation system unprecedented?
  - What was the plantation system, and how did it contribute to the inhumane treatment of slaves?
  
- The Seven Years’ War was a major conflict, with battles fought around the globe.
  - What were the results of this war?
  - Which countries emerged in a stronger position and why?
  
- Discuss the American Revolution in the context of European history.
  - To what extent were the colonists influenced by European ideas and political developments?
  - To what extent did their actions in turn influence Europe?