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European History (AP)
Chapter 23 Study Questions

The Building of European Supremacy: Society & Politics to WWI

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

- How was European society transformed by the Second Industrial Revolution?
 - What new industries developed, and which do you think had the greatest impact in the twentieth century?
 - How do you account for European economic difficulties in the second half of the nineteenth century?
- How would you describe living conditions in European cities during the late nineteenth century?
 - Why were European cities redesigned during this period?
 - In what ways were they redesigned?
 - Why were housing and health key issues for urban reform?
 - Be specific in your examples.
- What was the status of European women in the second half of the nineteenth century?
 - Why did they grow discontented with their lot?
 - What factors led to change?
 - To what extent had they improved their position by 1914?
 - What tactics did they use in effecting change?
 - Was the emancipation of women inevitable?
 - How did women approach their situation differently from country to country?
- What were the major characteristics of Jewish emancipation in the nineteenth century?
- What was the status of the proletariat in 1860?
 - Had it improved by 1914?
 - What caused the growth in trade unions and organized mass political parties?
 - Why were the debates over “opportunism” and “revisionism” important to the western European socialist parties?
- What were the benefits and drawbacks of industrialization for Russia?
 - Were the tsars wise to attempt to modernize their country, or should they have left it as it was?
 - How did Lenin’s view of socialism differ from that of the socialists in western Europe?