

Mr. Corner
European History (AP)
Chapter 27 Study Questions

Europe and the Great Depression of the 1930s

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

- Why did the Great Depression of the 1930s occur, and why was it more severe and longer lasting than previous depressions?
- Why did Britain’s National government and France’s Popular Front deal with the depression in different ways?
 - Why did the Third Republic have so few supporters?
- How did the Great Depression affect Germany?
 - Was Hitler’s dictatorship inevitable?
- How did Hitler’s economic policies differ from those used in Britain, Italy, and France?
 - Why did some nations deal with the Great Depression more effectively than others?
- How and why did Hitler, Mussolini, and Stalin use terror to achieve their goals?
 - What were the particular characteristics of Nazi racial policy?
 - How did this policy in its various guises affect Jewish life?
- Why did Stalin decide that Russia had to industrialize rapidly?
 - Why did this require the collectivization of agriculture?
 - How did Stalin overcome the obstacles to collectivization?
 - What were the causes of the purges in the Soviet Union?