

Challenge Cards

A1 What were the motives that drove European states to launch great sea voyages?

A2 What was the biggest impact of the Age of Exploration?

E1 What was absolutism?

E2 How did the power and authority of European absolute monarchs differ from that of Chinese emperors?

B1 Why was trade a motive for Europeans to establish a sea route to Asia?

B2 How would a sea route to Asia reduce costs for luxury goods?

F1 What Chinese military technology did Europeans use to strengthen their rule and change the nature of warfare?

F2 How did Europeans pay for this new technology?

C1 What was the flowering of arts and culture that began in Italy in the 1300s and later spread to the rest of Europe?

C2 What relationship did European artists and architects have with religion during this time?

G1 The Ottoman Turks built one. So did Russian czars, the Safavids, and the Tokugawa Shogunate. What was it?

G2 How did the Ottoman Turks maintain their empire?

D1 In this image, how is Peter the Great trying to forcibly westernize this Russian aristocrat?

D2 Why would a monarch like Peter the Great want to force his country to westernize?

H1 What was the Commercial Revolution?

H2 How did the Commercial Revolution change the lives of people in Europe?

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I1 These warriors established a colonial empire for Spain, but they destroyed civilizations in the Americas in the process. Who were they?

I2 How did Spain maintain its empire?

M1 What are three religions that spread their influence during this period? What religion spread to which region?

M2 What inspires religious leaders to spread their beliefs across the globe?

J1 Which religious institution played a major role in the Spanish conquest in the Americas?

J2 How did religion play a role in the Spanish conquest in the Americas?

N1 The Chinese developed woodblock printing, the Koreans developed metal moveable type, and the Germans developed the printing press. What did all three advance?

N2 What might have been the consequences of this technology on the spread of ideas throughout the world?

K1 What was the movement of plants, animals and diseases between the Old World (Europe, Asia, and Africa) and the New World (the Americas) called?

K2 What was a major benefit of the exchange of plants and animals?

O1 What was the name for the period in the 1600s when scholars and thinkers began applying the power of reason to the observation of nature?

O2 How did people's views about the natural world change because of this new way of thinking?

L1 What was the most negative consequence of the Columbian Exchange?

L2 What effects did the Great Dying have in the Americas?

P1 Was the Enlightenment a new world religion? Explain.

P2 Would the person shown in the image generally approve or disapprove of the Enlightenment?