

AP World History

History Jargon

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Below is a list of words you will encounter at some point during AP World History. I do not expect you to know all these words before the course, but I do expect you to know them by the end of the course, and each chapter/unit will add several more examples to your vocabulary. Note: these are far from all the words you may encounter this year. You'll learn far more new words/phrases in your English class that will also help you write better historical essays and understand your assigned historical readings. These are just the words that have a specific application in history.

Choose 20 words that you don't know and write a short definition. Due Wed 9/7/11.

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| abolition | century | deficit | figurative |
| absolutism | circa (c. ca.) | deforestation | filial |
| administer/ -stration | city-state | deity/ deism | fiscal |
| admonish/ ment | citizen | delay (v. & n.) | forage |
| Afro- | civilization/ civilized | democracy | fortnight |
| after-life | chauvinism | demography | frame of reference |
| agrarian | chivalry | demon/ -ize | fraternize/ -zation |
| Amer- | class struggle | destiny | free trade |
| analyze/ analysis | classical | determinism | frontier |
| anarchism/ anarchy | clergy | dictator/ -ship | fundamental/ -ism |
| ancient | coerce | diffuse/ diffusion | ----- |
| <i>ante bellum</i> | coincidence | diplomacy/ diplomatic | gender |
| anti-semitism | colony, colonial | diversity/ diverse | genocide |
| apathy | commodity | divinity/ divine | geo- |
| appease/ -ment | communal | doctrine/ doctrinal | globalization |
| arable | communism | document (v. & n.) | government |
| archaeology | conflate | dogma/ dogmatic | -graphy (demography, geography) |
| archaic | conjuncture | domestic | guild |
| architecture | conscript/ -ion | draft (v. & n.) | ----- |
| -archy | conservative | dualism | haggle |
| argue/ argument | constitution (small "c") | dynasty | hegemony |
| artifact | conflate | ----- | helio- |
| artisan | consumer/ -ism | eclectic | hierarchy |
| aristocracy | contemporary | economy/ economic | historiography |
| atheism | contest (v.) | edict | hyper- |
| asceticism | context | edifice/ edify | hypo- |
| austerity | continent | egalitarian | hypocrisy/ hypocrite |
| authoritarian/ -ism | contingency/ contingent | elite | ----- |
| ----- | convention/ -al | emancipate/ -tion | identity |
| balance of power | converge | empire/ emperor | ideology |
| balance of trade | converse (v.& n.) | emporia | impede/ impediment |
| barbarian | convert (v. & n.) | encounter | imperialism |
| blockade | corporation/ corporate | enlighten | implicit |
| border (national) | corollary | entrepôt | incarnation/ incarnate |
| boycott | correlation | epidemic | indenture (v.) |
| bourgeoisie | cosmopolitan | era | independence |
| broker (v.) | coup d'état | ethic | indigenous |
| bullion | -cracy | ethnic/ ethnicity/ ethno- | industry/ -trial/ -ism |
| bureaucracy/ -cratic | (autocracy, democracy) | eunuch | inherent |
| ----- | craft (n. & v.) | Euro- | inherit |
| cabinet (governmental) | credit | executive (branch) | inverse/ invert |
| capital/ -ism | currency | expense | irrigation |
| capitol | current | explicate | -ism / -ist / -ize |
| capitulate | ----- | explicit | ----- |
| cartel | Darwinism | ----- | judiciary/ judicial |
| caste | <i>de facto</i> | facade | juncture |
| casualty | debit | fascism | junta |
| causation | debt | feminism | ----- |
| celibacy/ celibate | decade | feudalism | kin/ kinship |
| central/ -centric | | fief/ fiefdom | king/ kingdom |
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laissez-faire
 -lateral (uni- bi- multi-)
 the Left
 legislature / legislative
 legitimacy / legitimate
 liberal
 -logy
 majority
 mal-
 malnourish / -nutrition
 mandate (v. & n.)
 manifest
 manifesto
 manuscript
 maritime
 material
 materiel
 matri-
 matriarch
 matrilineal
 medieval
 mercantilism
 merchandise
 merchant
 merit / meritocracy
 meso-
 meta-
 metallurgy
 metaphor / -ical
 metropole / -politan
 middle class
 migrate / migration
 military / -ism
 millennia / millennium
 minister (n. a diplomat)
 minority
 modern / -ity
 monarch / monarchy
 monastery / monastic
 monetary
 mono- (-gamy, -poly)
 monsoon
 mortal / mortality
 mutate
 nation
 nation-state
 nationalism
 negotiate
 neo-
 nether-
 NGOs (non-gov't org)
 nobility / noble
 nomad / nomadic
 nun

optimism
 oracle
 oral
 orate
 ordain
 orthodox / orthodoxy
 pacifism / pacify
 pagan
 paleo-
 pan-
 papacy / papal
 pastoral
 paternal
 pathogen
 patri-
 (patriarch / -archy)
 patrician
 patrilineal
 patron / -ize
 peasant
 peccadillo
 penultimate
 peon / peonage
 period
 perspective
 pessimism
 philia / -philic / -ophile
 phobia / phobic
 pilgrim / pilgrimage
 plague
 plausible
 plethora
 plurality
 point of view
 political / politics
 poly-
 polygamy
 post-
 pragmatism / pragmatic
 pretext
 priest
 primary
 principal
 principle
 proletariat
 promulgate
 propaganda
 protectorate
 proto-
 providence
 province / provincial
 push-pull factors
 psycho-

quagmire
 qualify
 quandary
 quantify
 quantity
 quest
 racism / racial
 radical
 rare / rarity
 rational / rationale
 raw material
 rebel / rebellion
 reform
 regime
 register (n. & v.)
 regulation
 reincarnation
 republic
 revenue
 revolt
 revolution
 the Right
 rimland
 rural
 Russo-
 sacred
 sarcasm
 scholar
 score (a unit of time)
 secede / secession
 secondary
 sect
 secular
 sedentary
 segregation
 serf / serfdom
 shaman / -ism
 Sino-
 skepticism / skeptical
 slavery
 Social Darwinism
 social democracy
 socialism
 socio-economic
 sovereignty / sovereign
 state (n.)
status quo
 strata / stratification
 sub-
 submerge
 subordinate (v. & n.)
 subsistence
 subvert / subversive

surrender
 syncretic / syncretism
 synthesis
 tangible
 tariff
 tele-
 teleology / teleological
 temporary
 terminal
 territory / territorial
 terrorism
 text / textual
 textile
 theo- (theology, theocracy)
 Third World
 topography
 totalitarian
 tradition
 trust (n.)
 uber-
 ultimate
 ultimatum
 unanimity / unanimous
 unify / unity
 union (n.)
 urban
 utopia / utopian
 venerate / venerable
 verbal / verbabize /
 verbificate¹
 vermin
 vernacular
 viceroy
 xeno- (xenophobia, xenophobic)
 the West
 working class
 world-systems theory

Units of Time

century²
 fortnight
 millennia / millennium
 score

¹ Just kidding! ☺

² Be sure to know how a particular year corresponds to a century. (e.g. 2012 is in the 21st century, 1877 was in the 19th century)

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