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Sixth Grade Social Studies MERIT – Second Nine Weeks Benchmark Study Guide

This is only a study guide. The test will include map skills, charts, etc.

1. What are the three economic questions all economic systems must answer?

2. Describe a traditional economy:

3. Do any countries in modern Europe have a traditional economy?

4. What do the economic systems of Germany and the United Kingdom have in common?

5. How is Russia different that the previous two countries?

6. Which country had to fuse two different economic types after reunification?

7. If a country invests in human capital, it is spending money on:

8. What is a mixed economic system?

9. Why is it beneficial for countries in Europe to have a common currency?

10. What is the currency?

11. The term “barter” is a synonym for _____.

12. What happened in Chernobyl that affected a majority of eastern Europe?

13. What are the reasons for the Age of Exploration?

14. Who was Prince Henry the Navigator?

15. What is militarism?

16. What are alliances?

17. What is imperialism?

18. What is nationalism?

19. How did these four things lead to WWI?

20. The assassination of _____ was the starting point of WWI.

21. The end of WWI was followed by the Treaty _____.

22. Which country was punished by the treaty?

23. What is the League of Nations?

24. What are reparations?

25. What three things were Germany required to do by the Treaty of Versailles?

26. What caused Europe to go into an economic depression following WWI?

27. Who was the czar of Russia before/during the Russian Revolution?

28. What does abdicated mean?

29. Which party took over after the czar abdicated the throne?

30. This man was the leader of the party:

31. Which group was blamed by Hitler for WWI and the economic depression?

32. Hitler was elected _____, but quickly became a _____.

33. What is fascism?

34. List the countries that were included in these groups:

Axis Powers

Allied Powers

35. Which country did Germany attack causing Britain and France to declare war?

36. What was the Holocaust?

37. Which country was divided after WWII?

38. Which country did not want to allow their section of Germany to reunite with the others?

39. What is a "superpower" country?

40. What was the Cold War?

41. What is the "Iron Curtain"? Who used that term?

42. What is reunification?

43. When did the Soviet republics begin declaring independence?

44. When did Russia become known as the Soviet Union?

45. When did the Soviet Union become known as Russia again?

Second Nine Weeks – Honors – Constructed Response

1. Explain the impact of WWII in terms of the Holocaust, the origins of the Cold War, and the rise of Superpowers.
2. Describe the major developments following WWI: The Russian Revolution, the Treaty of Versailles, world-wide depression, and the rise of Nazism.
3. Identify the causes of European exploration and colonization; include religion, natural resources, a market for goods, and the contributions of Prince Henry the Navigator.
4. How did the differing philosophies of the United States and the Soviet Union after WWII lead to the Cold War?

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