

What's Happening in the World Today?*

Each student will be assigned a region to focus upon for the time period we are studying in class. (The world did not stand still as France had its revolution!) Regions: 1)South America, 2)North America, 3)Middle & Eastern Europe, 4)Asia, 5)Africa, 6)India, 7)Middle East.

Grades are individual, you are responsible for all info asked for, but you may consult with others working on the same region to help each other obtain all the needed info., or you may work entirely independently.

Politics: (significant events and turning points OR ongoing status quo)

- political parties and their platforms
- leaders (who and what they did/failed to do)
- major laws, shifts or events

War, Conflict & Armed Rebellion:

- With whom (civil war or outside attack)? What happened? (major battles/turning points, not a blow-by-blow account)
- Why? motive: (land, minerals, religious?)

Religion:

- What is the religion(s) in the region? Main? Sects?
- Any other religions or off-shoots?
- Conflicts between religions or within the major religion?
- Relationship with the State?

Arts:

- What's happening with Literature, Music, Art (painting, sculpting, etc), Dance? What significant works are created in this time period? Why are they significant?
- Who are the major authors/composers? Titles of their works? Significance of the work?
- Any major change in theory or a new movement?

Science & Technology:

- Inventions and discoveries?
- Scientists and their import
- Architectural advancements

Society & Social Structure

- Class system? Haves/have nots?
- Towns/cities/rural?
- Average daily life (describe)
- Trade and the economy

CITE YOUR SOURCES USING MLA FORMAT!!!

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