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**APUSH 2nd Semester Benchmark #2 Study Guide**

1. What does the existence of the Aztec, Incas and Mayan civilizations tell us about society prior to European arrival?
2. What caused the Native American population in the territory that became the United States to decline so drastically in the years after European exploration?
3. As European population grew, what direction did the population shift in the U.S.? What impact did this have on the Native American population and their land?
4. Explain the encomienda system.
5. Describe the causes and effects of the Pueblo revolt. (Pope’s rebellion)
6. Describe the settlements of the English, Spanish, and French in the new world. Where did they settle? Evaluate their relations with the Native Americans. Did they intermarry?
7. Who was Anne Hutchinson? Describe the Massachusetts Bay Colony and the establishment of Rhode Island.
8. During what following time period did women first begin to find a voice and speak out against injustice in society? What role did women play in this reform movement?
9. How did the French Revolution (1789-1799) affect U.S. foreign policy and diplomatic relations between the United States, Britain, and France. (https://history.state.gov/milestones/1784-1800/french-rev)
10. What was Jay’s Treaty? Why did the United States feel it was necessary to negotiate this treaty with the British? How did this treaty create a rise of political parities in the United States?
11. What were the fundamental differences between the federalists and antifederalists?
12. Why were the Bill of Rights added to the Constitution?
13. Describe the Gilded Age. Discuss distribution of wealth, rise of big business, Andrew Carnegie, and philanthropy.
14. Define Manifest Destiny. How did this belief impact westward expansion in the United States?
15. What issue became a dividing force between the North and the South over newly acquired western lands?
16. Describe the Compromise of 1850. What concession was given to the south for admitting California as a free state? How did northerners respond to this concession?
17. During the period of Imperialism, the United States looked outward to expand. Similar to the belief of Manifest Destiny, the U.S. focused on gaining new territory. What war resulted in the United States gaining new territory during this time period? (https://history.state.gov/milestones/1866-1898/spanish-american-war)
18. Analyze the reasons for the emergence of the Populist Party.
19. How would people and groups who supported the Populist Party feel about the involvement of the federal government in our economic system?
20. Know the 13th, 14th, & 15th amendments.
21. What led to an end of military reconstruction in the south and the “sectional reunion” that occurred.
22. Who was Marcus Garvey and what was the UNIA? Describe the goals of the Black Nationalism and Pan-Africanism movements.
23. What happened to Germany’s colonies after WWI and the signing of the Treaty of Versailles?
24. Describe the Great Migration. How did it impact population statistics in the U.S.?
25. Who was A. Phillip Randolph?
26. What was the ruling in *Brown v. Board of Education* and what court case did this ruling overturn? Who was the lawyer for the NAACP during the Brown case? (He later became the first AA to be appointed to the Supreme Court)
27. Describe Malcolm X’s Black nationalism. Who greatly influenced Malcolm X’s beliefs?
28. Who was Senator Joseph McCarthy and what was he best known for?
29. What were the Army-McCarthy hearings?
30. Connect the McCarthy Era to a previous time period where the people held the same types of beliefs. Describe the connection.
31. What war was taking place during the McCarthy Era? Describe this war and its impact on his beliefs.
32. What role did the HUAC play during this era?
33. What was the ultimate goal of the United States during the Cold War era?
34. Explain Nixon’s détente policy with China and the Soviet Union.
35. What was the arms race? How did it impact society home?
36. How did the Cold War turn from a European to an Asian conflict?

* domino theory
* Rise of Communism in China
* Korean War
* Vietnam War

1. Why was Korea often referred to as the forgotten war?
2. Describe the growing debate over Vietnam during the late 1960’s and early 1970’s.

* Silent majority
* Doves & Hawks
* Kent State

1. Who called for “Peace with honor”? Analyze whether or not he was successful in achieving this goal.
2. During what other time period was our country divided over foreign policy affairs? (Think 1898-1917) Describe what why people were divided during this time period.
3. Who were the Students for a Democratic Society (SDS) and problems were they protesting about in our country?
4. Describe the youth counterculture of the 1960’s. What did these two organizations have in common?
5. When did the Cold War officially end? Who was president when it ended?
6. How has the United States continued to provide humanitarian aid around the world?
7. Describe Woodrow Wilson’s moral diplomacy? What was the belief of self-determination.