SOCIAL HISTORY STUDY GUIDE

LATE MIDDLE AGES	16 th and 17 th CENTURIES	18 th CENTURY	19 TH CENTURY
MARRIAGE AND FAMILY:	MARRIAGE AND FAMILY:	MARRIAGE AND FAMILY:	MARRIAGE AND FAMILY:
 Nuclear family Divorce nonexistent Marriages arranged for economic reasons. Prostitution in urban areas Ave. age for men: mid-late 20s Avg. age for women: less than 20 years old. Church encouraged cult of paternal care. Many couples did not observe church regulations on marriage. Manners shaped men to please women. 	 MARRIAGE AND FAMILY: Nuclear family Divorce available in certain cases More prostitution Marriages still based on economics but increasingly more romantic. Average age for marriage: 27 for men; 25 for women. Increased infanticide. Low rate of illegitimate births. Dramatic population growth until 1650; growth slows until 1750. 	 Nuclear family Growth of Cottage Industry. Marriages based more on romance. Average age for marriage: late 20s or later; takes longer for couple to be ready economically for marriage. Many women don't marry; "spinsters" Illegitimate birth explosion:1750-1850 Increase in infanticide. Foundling hospitals created Young people increasingly worked away from home in the city. 	 Ideal of romantic love now most important reason Fewer children per family; more love towards children Middle class more apt to consider economic reasons Many men married late Women closely monitored Sexual double standard Rate of illegitimacy declined after 1850 in working classes Prostitution sought by middle & upper middle class men Freud: early childhood is vital
 Relative sexual equality STATUS OF WOMEN: Status of upper-class women better than in next two centuries. 	 STATUS OF WOMEN: Status of upper-class women declines in Renaissance. Most women not affected by Renaissance. Educated women allowed involvement but subservient to men. Sexual double standard Woman was to make herself pleasing to the man (Castiglione) Rape not considered serious crime. Protestant Reformation: women's occupation is in the home. Catholic orders for women grew. 	 "Spare the rod, spoil the child." Rise of humanitarianism (influenced by Enlightenment). STATUS OF WOMEN: Protestant women still expected to manage the home. Upper-class Catholic women had self-development options in religious orders. 	 Lower class kids less dependent on parents financially than middle class kids STATUS OF WOMEN: After 1850, increasingly separate spheres: men worked in factories; women stayed at home. By late-19th century, women worked outside the home only in poor families Middle class women began working to organize and expand their rights

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EDUCATION:	EDUCATION:Mostly for upper-classes	 EDUCATION: Protestantism spurred increased education for boys and girls. Humanitarianism of Enlightenment led to improved education 	EDUCATION: • Increase among middle class
 RELIGION: Dominated by Catholic Church Reform movements: Wyclif and Hus. Some persecution of witches 	RELIGION: Protestant Reformation Catholic Counter Reformation Religious wars "New Monarchs" and Absolute Monarchs take control of national churches. Major persecution of alleged witches.	RELIGION: Protestant "Pietism" in Germany. Rise of Methodism Catholic piety remains. Decrease in witch hunts	RELIGION: • Rerum Novarum • Syllabus of Errors • Kulturkampf • Increased emphasis on morality among middle class • Decline among urban working classes.
 NUTRITION AND HEALTH Poor harvests created malnutrition. Black Plague resulted in loss of 1/3 of population. 	 NUTRITION and HEALTH: Poor life expectancy (about 25 years) Price Revolution = less food consumption due to higher prices (until about 1650). Bread is staple food for poor classes. Upper-classes eat large quantities of meat. Smallpox and famines still ravaged parts of Europe. 	 NUTRITION and HEALTH Improved diet: more vegetables (esp. potato). Increased life expectancy from 25 years to 35 years. Major advances in control of plague and disease (esp. Small Pox—Edward Jenner) William Harvey: Circulation of Blood Development of public health Hospital reform Reform for mental health institutions 	 NUTRITION and HEALTH Public Health Movement: Bentham & Chadwick Bacterial Revolution: Pasteur- "germ theory" Antiseptic (Lister) Increased life expectancy Significant decline in infant mortality after 1890 Poor living conditions in cities

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Feudalism dominated most of	• Population growth began in 16 th	Cottage Industry in rural areas.	Increased standard of living for
Europe.	century until about 1650.	Growth of cities.	average person; higher wages
	• Cities grew faster than rural areas.	Serfdom in eastern Europe.	Society more diverse and less
	• Two major hierarchies existed:	-	unified
	1. Countryside: landlords,		Middle Class
	peasants, landless laborers		Upper Middle Class:
	2. Urban: merchants, artisans,		Banking; industry; large-scale
	laborers		commerce
	Clergy, lawyers, teachers, &		Diversified middle class groups
	civil servants fit awkwardly		Moderately successful
	in both hierarchies.		industrialists, merchants,
	Advancement up the hierarchy		professionals (doctors, lawyers)
	possible through education.		Lower Middle Class:
	Enclosure movement		Shopkeepers, small traders
	 Putting out system 		Lower Class: (80% of population)
	Serfdom in eastern Europe		Highly skilled: Foremen; highly
			skilled handicraft trades
			Semi skilled: Craftspeople
			Low skilled: day laborers;
			domestic servants
SLAVERY:	SLAVERY:	SLAVERY	SLAVERY:
• Few Africans lived in Europe.	African slavery introduced.	• Still exists in Portuguese, Spanish	• Ends in Latin America as
	• Dramatic increase in slave trade	and British empires.	Spanish and Portuguese leaders
	in New World.		are overthrown and Latin
			American countries become
			independent.
			Britain ends slavery in 1833
			• France ends slavery in 1848
			Remains in U.S. until 1865

20 th Century	20 th CENTURY	20 th CENTURY	20 th CENTURY
MARRIAGE AND FAMILY: • Baby Boom after WWII • Women having children earlier and fewer children (about 2.0) • Middle class children less economically dependent on parents	 STATUS OF WOMEN: Equality in communist Russia Female suffrage after WWI in W & C Europe Traditional and oppressed role in Fascist Italy and Germany Women work in war industries 	 EDUCATION: Key to social advancement after WWII After WWII, college widely available in W & C Europe Emphasis on science and math "Big Science" 	 RELIGION: Christian existentialism after WWI Lateran Pact (1920) between Mussolini and the Papacy Religion far less prominent than in any previous century
	in WWI and especially WWII Women's rights movement in 1960s	Student revolts in France, 1968	1963 Catholic Ecumenical Council (end of Latin in Mass)
 NUTRITION AND HEALTH: Increased life expectancy after WWII Leaner healthier lifestyle after 1970 	Increase in the welfare state throughout century Large increase in middle-class after WWII Fewer class distinctions after WWII		
	 Aristocracy loses ground economically after WWII Increase in white-collar jobs 		