

Study Guide 1

The Enlightenment and The American Revolution, Readings: *The Enlightenment, The American Revolution*

AP World History

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Key terms:

Enlightenment or the Age of Reason

John Locke

Social Contract

Natural Rights

Voltaire

Deism

Jean Jacques Rousseau

Montesquieu

Checks and balances

Mercantilism

Essential questions:

Enlightenment thinkers wanted people to improve society through what humanistic thinking skills?

What was going on historically in the 17th Century that explains the rise of Enlightenment thinking?

Identify and explain at least one Enlightenment idea contained within Locke's *Two Treatises of Government* that led to political change.

Identify and explain at least one Enlightenment idea contained within Montesquieu's *Spirit of the Laws* that led to political change.

Identify and explain at least one Enlightenment idea contained within Voltaire's *Candide* that led to political change.

Identify and explain at least one Enlightenment idea contained within Rousseau's *Social Contract* that led to political change.

Identify and explain at least one way that religious views changed due to the political changes that occurred during the Enlightenment.

Identify and explain at least one way that economic philosophy changed due to the political changes that occurred during the Enlightenment.

What was going on historically in the 17th and 18th Centuries that helps explain the rise of the American colonies?

Provide evidence that proves that the American Revolution was Enlightenment-based.

The American colonists had what trade problems with Great Britain?

The American colonists had what tax issues with Great Britain?

How was the American revolution influential to later revolutions?