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TEACHERS

The Interwar Period: Understanding Global Politics and Societal Shifts from 1918 to 1929

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Due Date: _____

Introduction

The period between the two World Wars, from 1918 to 1929, was a time of great upheaval and transformation globally. This homework sheet is designed to help you understand the complex and transformative period between the two World Wars, focusing on the years 1918 to 1929. You will explore the aftermath of World War I, the rise of new world powers, and the economic boom of the 1920s, and gain insight into how these events shaped the world and laid the groundwork for the outbreak of World War II.

Section 1: Multiple Choice Questions

Choose the correct answer for each question:

1. What was the main purpose of the Treaty of Versailles?

- a) To establish the League of Nations
- b) To impose penalties on Germany
- c) To promote economic cooperation among nations
- d) To prevent future wars

Answer: b) To impose penalties on Germany

2. Which of the following was a consequence of the Russian Revolution?

- a) The establishment of a democratic government
- b) The rise of fascist regimes in Europe
- c) The establishment of the Soviet Union
- d) The outbreak of World War II

Answer: c) The establishment of the Soviet Union

3. What was the name of the economic downturn that started with the stock market crash of 1929?

- a) The Great Depression
- b) The Great Recession
- c) The Economic Boom
- d) The Roaring Twenties

Answer: a) The Great Depression

Section 2: Short Answer Questions

Answer each question in 1-2 paragraphs:

1. Describe the main provisions of the Treaty of Versailles and their impact on Germany.

2. What were the main characteristics of the Roaring Twenties in the United States?

Section 3: Essay Question

Choose one of the following essay questions and answer it in 2-3 pages:

1. Analyze the impact of the Treaty of Versailles on the interwar period. How did the treaty's provisions contribute to the rise of Nazi Germany and the outbreak of World War II?

2. Discuss the significance of the Russian Revolution and its impact on global politics. How did the establishment of the Soviet Union contribute to the rise of communism and the Cold War?

Complete the following activities:

1. Create a timeline of the major events of the interwar period, including the Treaty of Versailles, the Russian Revolution, and the stock market crash of 1929.

2. Imagine you are a diplomat at the Paris Peace Conference in 1919. Write a letter to your government outlining your proposals for the Treaty of Versailles.

3. Research and create a presentation on the cultural and social changes of the Roaring Twenties in the United States.

Section 5: Reflection

Reflect on what you have learned about the interwar period. How do you think the events of this period continue to influence contemporary international relations? Write a reflective essay in 1-2 pages.

Conclusion

The interwar period was a complex and transformative time in world history, marked by significant political, economic, and social changes. By completing this homework sheet, you have gained a deeper understanding of the causes and consequences of historical events and how they continue to shape our world today. Remember to always think critically about history and its relevance to contemporary issues.