Unit 6 – Europe Study Guide

Instructions: Answer the following to review for the Europe Test.

1. Describe the most prevalent physical feature comprising Europe. Name each and their location (countries).
2. Identify the mountain chains/ranges within Europe. Identify their location (countries).
3. Explain the importance of Europe’s rivers. Be able to name/identify the rivers of Europe.
4. Explain the importance of the North European Plain. Why is this area important for European militaries?
5. Identify the two resources Europe has great abundance of. What material do these make?
6. Identify the climate zone comprising the vast majority of Europe. Explain what attracts many people to this region.
7. Explain North Atlantic Drift.
8. Explain the polder process.
9. Explain the water pollution issues in Venice; what is causing this (make sure to include ‘killer algae’)?
10. Explain the government(s) of England and Ireland; be able to compare with the United States government (what are the similarities and differences?).
11. Identify the cause of Irish emigration during the 19th century. Where did the Irish go and why? What roles/jobs did the Irish actually occupy?
12. Identify the major religions present in each region of Europe (Northern, Southern/Mediterranean/ Western/Eastern).
13. Explain why the Mediterranean (Southern Italy) is considered the birthplace of European civilization?
14. Identify and explain the major contributions of the ancient Greeks and ancient Romans on American society/government.
15. Explain the Renaissance. Name the major contributors of this period (be able to name how they contributed as well).
16. Explain the modern day problems associated with Greece (economically).
17. Identify the significance of the Vatican City. Who controls this region?
18. Describe the economy of Germany. What is the most important economic resource(s)? Why?
19. Describe and explain nationalism. Explain the connections to WWI and WWII.
20. Explain the rationale behind the construction of the Berlin Wall. During what time period was it built and when did it come down? When the Berlin Wall came down, what did that symbolize?
21. Identify the languages of Belgium.
22. What institutions/organizations are present in Belgium?
23. Explain the purpose for windmills in the Netherlands?
24. Name the major industry present in Amsterdam? Why might this industry be present in this region?
25. Explain why Eastern Europe is a cultural crossroads.
26. Explain the division(s) in Europe after WWII? Which countries controlled the West versus the East? Identify the governments present in each.
27. Describe and explain the significance of the Iron Curtain.
28. Explain the results of Soviet domination in the portion of Europe they controlled.
29. Explain the process of Balkanization. What caused this to occur?
30. Explain what occurred after the fall of Communism in Eastern Europe.
31. Identify 5 new countries that emerged after the fall of communism.
32. Explain communism.
33. Explain a command versus a market economy. Associate counties where each are present.
34. Explain the problems of economic changes as a result of the conversion from command to market economies (throughout Eastern Europe).
35. Identify Slobodan Milosevic. What confli8ct is he associated with?
36. Identify the industry present within the Ukraine? What environmental disaster occurred in this region? When did it occur and why?
37. Explain the rationale behind the formation of the European Union.
38. Review your HOT TERMS! (Specifically, folk art, ethnic cleansing, euro)