

6.5 The Concert of Europe and European Conservatism

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Objective

Build the skills to explain **conservatism** 保守主义 and the **Concert of Europe** 欧洲协调.

You must be able to:

- state the basis of the new conservative ideology
- explain the Concert's two methods
- explain why one premise justified both
- state what the objective's other verb requires

1 Worked examples

Study these first. Each one shows the method for a task used later.

■ The basis

Conservatives developed a **new** ideology in support of traditional political and religious authorities, based on the idea that human nature was not perfectible. It is an argument, not merely an inheritance.

■ Two methods

The Concert of Europe sought to maintain the status quo through **collective action** between states and **adherence to conservatism** within them.

■ One premise, two policies

If human nature is not perfectible, a scheme to perfect society is not merely mistaken but dangerous — which justifies domestic doctrine and international policing alike.

■ The other verb

The objective asks how the order was maintained **and challenged**. This subtopic supplies maintenance; 6.6 and 6.7 supply the challenges.

2 Practice

2.1 State the basis of the new conservative ideology. [2]

2.2 State the Concert's two methods. [2]

2.3 One premise justifies both a domestic doctrine and an international policy.

(a) State the premise. [1]

(b) Explain the connection. [1]

3 Exam-style questions

3.1 The CED calls the conservative ideology [1]

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|---|---|
| A | B |
| C | D |
- A** ancient
 - B** new
 - C** revolutionary
 - D** liberal

3.2 The objective's other verb, besides "maintained", is [1]

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|---|---|
| A | B |
| C | D |
- A** abolished
 - B** challenged
 - C** exported
 - D** ignored

3.3 A doctrine holds that human nature cannot be perfected.

(a) State its view of schemes to improve society. [1]

(b) Explain why it treats every attempt as evidence. [2]
