

Question 3: Short Answer, No Stimulus, Concert of Europe**3 points****General Scoring Notes**

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(A) Describe one cause for the development of the Concert of Europe in the early 1800s. **1 point**

Examples that earn this point include the following:

- An alliance of countries that came together to defeat Napoleonic/Revolutionary France.
- The agreements reached at the Congress of Vienna to contain France and prevent Napoleon's return.
- The desire to forestall revolutionary sentiment and maintain the conservative political order.
- Fears of the political effects of the spread of nationalism during and after the French Revolutionary wars/Wars of Napoleon.

(B) Explain one way in which the Concert of Europe affected Europe in the first half of the 1800s. **1 point**

Examples that earn this point include the following:

- Conservative monarchies intervened to suppress revolutions and liberal movements.
- Nationalist movements for independence/unification were suppressed.
- Resentment toward conservative institutions grew across Europe, helping lead to the Revolutions of 1848.
- France sought to divide the Concert of Europe and create a new diplomatic order. Balance of power was maintained in Europe after the Napoleonic Wars.

(C) Explain one reason why the Concert of Europe broke down in the mid-1800s. **1 point**

Examples that earn this point include the following:

- The Revolutions of 1848 challenged conservative governments and pushed Metternich, the architect of the Concert of Europe, out of office.
- Nationalist movements grew in strength, eventually forcing some constitutional reforms and/or revolutionary change.
- European countries were increasingly concerned with Russian expansionism, leading to open conflict between members of the Concert of Europe in the Crimean War.
- Great Britain's parliament was increasingly liberal and highly skeptical of the commitment to intervene in internal European affairs on behalf of conservative monarchies.

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- (A)** Describe one change in French politics or society achieved by the liberal phase of the French Revolution. **1 point**

Examples that earn this point include the following:

- Establishment of a constitutional monarchy.
- Creation of a representative assembly to pass laws and govern the country.
- Establishment of the idea of citizenship.
- Nationalization of the Catholic Church/confiscation of church land
- Recognition of the rights of religious minorities such as Jews and Protestants.
- Abolition of aristocratic and hereditary privileges.
- Abolition of serfdom
- Recognition of the power and influence of the bourgeoisie.
- Improvement of conditions for some of the peasantry.
- Temporary gains in rights for women in citizenship, divorce, and inheritance

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- (B)** Explain how the radicalization of the French Revolutionary regime led to one change prior to Napoleon's takeover of the French government. **1 point**

Examples that earn this point include the following:

- The regime's need to protect itself led to the effective concentration of power in a small group (the Committee of Public Safety).
- Driven by radical ideas, the Jacobins launched a campaign of state-sponsored violence (the Reign of Terror).
- The decision to execute Louis XVI led to war between the French Republic and all the major monarchies of Europe.
- Radicals attacked the Tuileries Palace causing the National Assembly to issue a proclamation ending the monarchy, creating the first French Republic.
- The hostility to the Catholic church and its support for the Bourbon monarchy led the regime to attempt to de-Christianize France

- The regime attempted to limit opposition at home by fixing prices and wages.
- Because of real or imagined foreign interference, the revolutionary regime became hostile to established monarchies of Europe.
- In order to strengthen its position, the regime attempted to export revolutionary ideas to other areas of Europe through conquest and propaganda.
- The need to defend itself from a large coalition led the regime to adopt mass mobilization (*levée en masse*) to create large armies.
- The Jacobin party, consisting of more radical revolutionaries, gained control of the National Assembly.
- The desire to suppress internal dissent led the regime to adopt harsh punishments, a larger police force, and counterinsurgency tactics in some areas (e.g., the Vendée).
- The hope of creating a new national identity led the regime to adopt new symbols/new civic rituals/a new calendar/a new religion (The Cult of the Supreme Being).

(C) Explain one way in which the regime of Napoleon represented a continuity with the radical phase of the French Revolution. **1 point**

Examples that earn this point include the following:

- Napoleon continued the mass mobilization policies of the radical regime in order to support his armies.
- Conservative monarchies continued to oppose France, seeing Napoleon as an illegitimate monarch and a successor of the French Revolution.
- Like the Jacobins, Napoleon pursued an aggressive foreign policy initially justified by the idea of spreading revolutionary ideas to the rest of Europe.
- Napoleon maintained restrictions on the rights of women to participate in public life
- To consolidate his rule, Napoleon used many of the same repressive measures as the Jacobin regime.
- To strengthen his government, Napoleon continued and expanded the radical policies of meritocracy and more open access to public service and military advancement.

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