Global Conflict

AP World History: Modern · Vocabulary in context

Word	Example
total war /ˈtəʊtl wɔː/	In **total war**, the whole country works for victory.
Great Depression /greɪt dɪˈpreʃn/	The **Great Depression** left millions of people without work.
mass atrocities	The Holocaust was one of the **mass atrocities** of the 20th century. 20th century
nationalism /ˈnæʃənəlɪzəm/	**Nationalism** is strong pride in one's nation.
Mexican Revolution /ˈmeksɪkən ˌrevəˈluːʃn/	The **Mexican Revolution** began in 1910. 1910
imperialist competition	**Imperialist competition** for colonies increased tension before the First World War.
alliance system /əˈlaɪəns ˈsɪstəm/	The **alliance system** pulled many countries into the war at once.
conscription	Under **conscription**, young men had to join the army.
propaganda /ˌprɒpəˈgændə/	**Propaganda** tries to change what people think.
trenches	Soldiers fought from **trenches** dug into the ground.
state intervention	During the Great Depression, many governments used **state intervention** to create jobs.
New Deal	The **New Deal** created jobs and welfare in the USA in the 1930s. 1930s USA

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Five-Year Plans	Stalin's **Five-Year Plans** built heavy industry very fast.
fascism /ˈfæʃɪzəm/	**Fascism** puts the nation above the individual and has one strong leader.
Treaty of Versailles	The **Treaty of Versailles** ended the First World War.
reparations	Germany had to pay **reparations** for the damage of the war.
League of Nations /liːg ɒv ˈneɪʃnz/	The **League of Nations** was set up to keep peace after the war.
mandates	After the war, Britain and France ruled former Ottoman lands as **mandates**.
May Fourth Movement	In the **May Fourth Movement** of 1919, Chinese students protested against the Treaty of Versailles. 1919 « »
appeasement	**Appeasement** gave Hitler what he wanted to avoid war.
ideology	Communism was the **ideology** of the Soviet Union.
genocide /ˈdʒenəsaɪd/	The Holocaust was a **genocide**: the murder of a whole people.
Holodomor	The **Holodomor** was a famine in Ukraine in 1932–33 caused by Soviet policies. 1932–33
Nanjing Massacre	In the **Nanjing Massacre** of 1937, Japanese soldiers killed many Chinese people. 1937

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Holocaust /ˈhɒləkɔːst/	The **Holocaust** killed six million Jews.
historical situation	The **historical situation** explains what was happening when a source was made.
audience /ˈɔːdɪəns/	Know your **audience** before you write.
purpose /ˈpɜːpəs/	Ask about the **purpose** of the text: what must I do?
point of view /pɔɪnt ɒv vjuː/	Think about the **point of view** of the person who wrote the source.

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