Globalization

AP World History: Modern · Vocabulary in context

Word	Example
globalisation /ˌgləʊbəlaɪˈzeɪʃn/	**Globalisation** links countries through trade, money and ideas.
environment /enˈvaɪrənmənt/	A fish lives in a water **environment**.
free-market	In a **free-market** economy, prices are set by buyers and sellers, not the state.
internet /ˈɪntənet/	The **internet** connects networks all over the world.
Green Revolution /griːn ˌrevəˈluːʃn/	The **Green Revolution** brought new crops that gave much bigger harvests.
diseases linked to poverty	Malaria and cholera are **diseases linked to poverty**.
epidemics	Cholera **epidemics** spread quickly in crowded cities.
pandemics	HIV/AIDS and COVID-19 became **pandemics** that spread around the world. HIV/AIDS COVID-19
deforestation /diːˌfɒrɪˈsteɪʃn/	**Deforestation** destroys the homes of many animals.
desertification /dɪˌzɜːtɪfɪˈkeɪʃn/	**Desertification** makes dry land less productive.
greenhouse gases /ˈgriːnhaʊs ˈgæsɪz/	Carbon dioxide and methane are **greenhouse gases**.
climate change /ˈklaɪmət tʃeɪndʒ/	**Climate change** makes some places hotter and drier.
special economic zones /ˈspeʃl ˌiːkəˈnɒmɪk zəʊnz/	China opened **special economic zones** with low taxes to attract foreign firms. China

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multinational corporations /ˌmʌltɪˈnæʃənl ˌkɔːpəˈreɪʃnz/	**Multinational corporations** operate in more than one country.
Universal Declaration of Human Rights	The **Universal Declaration of Human Rights** was signed in 1948. 1948
feminism /ˈfemɪnɪzəm/	**Feminism** fights for women's rights.
liberation theology	**Liberation theology** taught that the Church should help the poor.
Bollywood	**Bollywood** films from India are popular around the world.
consumer culture /kənˈsuːmə ˈkʌltʃə/	A **consumer culture** grew as people bought cars and TVs.
Zapatistas	The **Zapatistas** in Mexico fought for the rights of indigenous people.
Green Belt Movement	The **Green Belt Movement** in Kenya planted millions of trees.
United Nations /juːˈnaɪtɪd ˈneɪʃnz/	The **United Nations** was founded in 1945. 1945
IMF	The **IMF** lends money to countries in financial trouble.
non-governmental organisations	**Non-governmental organisations**, such as the Red Cross, are not run by the government.