

7.5 Unresolved Tensions After World War I

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Objective

Build the skills to explain **interwar empire** 两次大战之间的帝国.

You must be able to:

- state the CED’s claim about colonial holdings between the wars
- name the two ways additional territory was gained
- state what some imperial powers faced instead
- explain why ‘predominantly maintained’ is a continuity claim

1 Worked examples

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

■ The claim

Between the two world wars, Western and Japanese imperial states predominantly maintained control over colonial holdings. The empires did not fall in 1918.

■ Two ways

In some cases they gained additional territories through conquest or treaty settlement — force and diplomacy again, as in 6.2.

■ The other case

In other cases they faced anti-imperial resistance. The CED gives both outcomes within one sentence.

■ ‘Predominantly maintained’

A continuity claim placed between two wars — which is why decolonisation belongs to unit 8 and not here. Anticipating it misdates the CED’s own chronology.

2 Practice

2.1 State the CED’s claim about colonial holdings between the wars. [2]

2.2 Name the two ways additional territories were gained. [2]

2.3 “Predominantly maintained” is a continuity claim.

(a) State what it implies about decolonisation. [1]

(b) State the other outcome the CED names. [1]

3 Exam-style questions

3.1 Between the wars, imperial states [1]

- A

B

C

D
- A lost their colonies

B predominantly maintained control

C abandoned empire

D united into one state

3.2 Additional territories were gained through conquest or [1]

- A

B

C

D
- A treaty settlement

B purchase only

C referendum

D inheritance

3.3 A student places decolonisation in the 1920s.

(a) State the error.

[1]

(b) Explain the correct chronology.

[2]
