Beginnings of the Global Age Study Guide

Chapter 13

What were the reasons that Europeans began to explore in the 1400’s?

What country took the lead in exploration?

Who was the first explorer to sail to India?

What did he bring back?

What was the goal of Columbus’ voyages?

Who sponsored his voyages?

What was the purpose of the line of demarcation in the Treaty of Tordesillas?

Who was the first person to circumnavigate the globe?

What was Portuguese settlement like in Africa?

What was the most valuable “product” from Africa?

What were slaves traded for to other African groups?

What need did they fill in the Americas?

What effect did the slave trade have on Africa?

What was the most valuable product from India?

What country took power from the Portuguese in Africa and Asia?

What made the Dutch East India Company so powerful?

Why were the Dutch able to take power from the Portuguese?

What allowed European countries to take power in India easily?

What country eventually came to control India?

Why did the Chinese and Japanese resist European influence?

What allowed Spain to become the world’s most powerful nation?

What role did the Catholic missionaries sent by the Spanish have on the New World?

What three European countries established colonies in North America?

What were the main products from North America?

What effect did the Europeans have on Africa?

What was the Columbian Exchange?

What were three other effects of global contact between European, Asian, African and Native American cultures?

What was the economic effect of exploration?

What was mercantilism?

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Why did European countries need colonies?