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Lesson 7.1

capitalism

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Part of speech	noun
Use in sentence	Marx argued that capitalism was the key feature of the modern world but created such profound inequality that it would eventually have to be abolished in a future socialist society.

colonialism

Definition	the practice of a foreign government exercising political or economic control of another community
Part of speech	noun
Use in sentence	Colonialism imposed European control over most of Africa in the nineteenth century.

industrialization

Definition	the introduction of industry into a region or country
Part of speech	noun
Use in sentence	Industrialization improved the country's economy.

liberal

Definition	relating to democratic forms of government rather than monarchies or aristocracies; (in a political context) relating to or denoting a political and social philosophy that promotes individual rights, civil liberties, democracy, and free enterprise
Part of speech	adjective

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Use in sentence	The new leader wished to establish a liberal form of government in a country that had never known political freedom.
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reform

Definition	the improvement of wrong or bad conditions
Part of speech	noun/verb
Use in sentence	People with a wide variety of occupations demanded labor reforms.

sovereignty

Definition	the power of self-government, with independence from outside control; autonomy
Part of speech	noun
Use in sentence	The nation's military fought valiantly to maintain their country's sovereignty, but ultimately, they were no match for their rivals to the north.

Lesson 7.2

autonomy

Definition	freedom and independence; self-governance
Part of speech	noun
Use in sentence	Most teenagers want autonomy even though they are still highly dependent on their parents.

charter

Definition	a written document that gives rights or privileges
Part of speech	noun

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Use in sentence	The king granted a charter to the colony so it could govern itself.
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contract

Definition	a formal agreement between people or groups
Part of speech	noun/verb
Use in sentence	They signed a contract to agree on the land sale.

democratic

Definition	having or promoting social, economic, and political equality
Part of speech	adjective
Use in sentence	All citizens are equal in a truly democratic society.

enslavement

Definition	the state of being a slave or being in a condition of bondage
Part of speech	noun
Use in sentence	The horrifying mass enslavement of imported Africans was the basis of the American agricultural economy for over a century.

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abolitionist

Definition	of or pertaining to the fight to end slavery; a person who fought for the abolition (end) of slavery
Part of speech	adjective/noun
Use in sentence	Many formerly enslaved people living in the northern United States were abolitionists.

citizen

Definition	a person belonging by birth or naturalization to a political and geographic entity, especially a nation
Part of speech	noun
Use in sentence	His father emigrated from Russia in 1917 and became a French citizen.

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nationalism

Definition	the idea that citizens of a country are part of something bigger than themselves and that they are loyal to a set of national ideals and practices
Part of speech	noun
Use in sentence	A wave of nationalism swept the country after its citizens were attacked.

reform

Definition	the improvement of wrong or bad conditions
Part of speech	noun/verb
Use in sentence	People with a wide variety of occupations demanded labor reforms.

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revolution

Definition	a drastic and far-reaching change in ways of thinking and behaving
Part of speech	noun
Use in sentence	The achievements of the scientific revolution and the technological advances that preceded it were very important.

Lesson 7.4

absolutism

Definition	a political system where a ruler has unlimited power
Part of speech	noun
Use in sentence	Under absolutism, the king could make laws without asking anyone else.

authority

Definition	a respectable or credible source
Part of speech	noun
Use in sentence	A historian is a person who is an authority on history and who studies it and writes about it.

ideology

Definition	the body of beliefs, symbols, and political and social aims that characterizes a particular group or institution
Part of speech	noun
Use in sentence	All aspects of our lives were influenced by Catholic ideology.

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Part of speech	adjective
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nation

Definition	a people living in the same geographic region and having a common history, language, and culture
Part of speech	noun
Use in sentence	Eventually, the 13 colonies came together and formed a nation of 13 states, each connected by a common identity and ideology.

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republic

Definition	a form of government in which delegates represent the interests of varied constituencies
Part of speech	noun

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Use in sentence	After the king was dethroned, the country became a republic led by a democratically selected leader.
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Lesson 7.5

capitalist

Definition	of or pertaining to capitalism (an economic system in which the means of production and distribution are privately owned, and prices are chiefly determined by open competition in a free market)
Part of speech	adjective/noun
Use in sentence	The United States has a capitalist economy.

consumer

Definition	one who purchases goods or services; a person or thing that consumes
Part of speech	noun
Use in sentence	The farm depended on consumers to buy their corn to stay in business.

colony

Definition	land controlled by another country, often far away
Part of speech	noun
Use in sentence	The colony sent raw materials back to their home country.

manufacturing

Definition	the use of labor, machinery, and chemical processes to turn raw materials into products like cement, steel, and plastic
Part of speech	noun/verb

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Use in sentence	The manufacturing processes we use to create concrete, steel, glass, and other materials produce almost a third of humanity's annual carbon emissions.
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pollution

Definition	contaminating material that makes an area dirty, unpleasant, or unhealthy
Part of speech	noun
Use in sentence	Pollution in the lake is killing the fish.

proletariat

Definition	the working class, especially those that lack wealth and must sell their usually unskilled labor in order to survive
Part of speech	noun
Use in sentence	The revolutionaries declared that factories and other means of production should be handed over to the proletariat.

resource

Definition	a source of aid, support, or other reinforcement
Part of speech	noun
Use in sentence	The library is a good resource for information.

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Part of speech	adjective/noun
Use in sentence	The United States has a capitalist economy.

factory

Definition	a building or set of buildings where products are manufactured
Part of speech	noun
Use in sentence	I pass by the chocolate factory on my way to work every morning, and it always smells delicious.

industrialization

Definition	the introduction of industry into a region or country
Part of speech	noun
Use in sentence	Industrialization improved the country's economy.

modernization

Definition	the process or act of updating or redesigning something to make it look new or contemporary
Part of speech	noun
Use in sentence	Modernization allows for technological and scientific advancements.

reform

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Part of speech	noun/verb
Use in sentence	People with a wide variety of occupations demanded labor reforms.

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restoration

Definition	the return of a king or government to power
Part of speech	noun
Use in sentence	The restoration brought the king back to the throne.

tariff

Definition	a government tax on imports or exports, or a rate or schedule of such taxes; duty
Part of speech	noun
Use in sentence	The government imposed tariffs to encourage its people to buy domestic goods.

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Use in sentence	Marx argued that capitalism was the key feature of the modern world but created such profound inequality that it would eventually have to be abolished in a future socialist society.

communism

Definition	the theory of a classless social system in which all property and means of production are owned in common; socialist theory deriving from the works of Karl Marx and Friedrich Engels and adopted by the Soviet Union
Part of speech	noun

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Use in sentence	China adopted communism as their political and economic system in 1949.
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Part of speech	noun
Use in sentence	The revolutionaries declared that factories and other means of production should be handed over to the proletariat.

salvation

Definition	being saved from sin or its consequences in a religious sense
Part of speech	noun
Use in sentence	Many people believed attending church would lead to salvation.

socialism

Definition	a political or economic theory in which community members own all property, resources, and the means of production, and control the distribution of goods
Part of speech	noun
Use in sentence	Individuals who think community members should own and control property, production, and distribution subscribe to socialism.

tenement

Definition	a crowded apartment building, often poorly maintained
Part of speech	noun
Use in sentence	Immigrants often lived in a crowded tenement in the city.

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union

Definition	an organization of laborers; trade union
Part of speech	noun
Use in sentence	The teachers' union negotiated higher salaries for all teachers in the school district.

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abolitionism

Definition	the movement to end slavery
Part of speech	noun
Use in sentence	Abolitionism spread as more people demanded the end of slavery.

enslavement

Definition	the state of being a slave or being in a condition of bondage
Part of speech	noun
Use in sentence	The horrifying mass enslavement of imported Africans was the basis of the American agricultural economy for over a century.

evangelical

Definition	focused on spreading religious faith with strong enthusiasm
Part of speech	adjective
Use in sentence	The evangelical preacher spoke passionately to the crowd.

legislation

Definition	laws made or passed by a government
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Part of speech	noun
Use in sentence	The government passed new legislation about schools.

moral

Definition	relating to what is right and wrong in human behavior
Part of speech	adjective/noun
Use in sentence	She made the moral choice to help her friend even when it was hard.

profit

Definition	a financial gain
Part of speech	noun/verb
Use in sentence	Colonialism made a lot of profit for many European capitalists.

suffrage

Definition	the right to vote in a political election
Part of speech	noun
Use in sentence	Some states imposed obstacles to restrict the suffrage of African Americans.

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authority

Definition	a respectable or credible source
Part of speech	noun
Use in sentence	A historian is a person who is an authority on history and who studies it and writes about it.

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imperialism

Definition	the policy of extending the rule or authority of one nation over others by territorial acquisition or through economic or political dominance
Part of speech	noun
Use in sentence	The emperor continued on his military rampage in the name of imperialism.

indirect rule

Definition	a system of government where local rulers keep power but are controlled by a higher authority
Part of speech	noun
Use in sentence	The British used indirect rule by working through local chiefs.

racism

Definition	the theory or opinion that a certain race or races of people, usually one's own, are superior to others because of certain inborn characteristics and any policy or practice based on said belief
Part of speech	noun
Use in sentence	West Indian psychiatrist Frantz Fanon emphasized the different forms of racism that exist, as those facing colonialism in Africa face different issues than those in the United States.

resistance

Definition	the act of refusing to comply with something, or the act of acting to prevent or counter something
Part of speech	noun
Use in sentence	Resistance to colonialism took many different forms, from violence to quiet noncooperation.

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paternalism

Definition	a belief or system where authority treats others like children, making decisions for them
Part of speech	noun
Use in sentence	Paternalism made the colonizers act like they knew what was best for others.

subject

Definition	a person who owes allegiance to a monarch or to a state
Part of speech	noun
Use in sentence	The queen addressed her subjects from the palace that morning.

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collaborate

Definition	to cooperate or work with someone else, especially on an artistic or intellectual project
Part of speech	verb
Use in sentence	A team of professors from five universities collaborated on the project.

dissent

Definition	disagreement or refusal to accept official opinions or decisions
Part of speech	noun
Use in sentence	There was dissent among the citizens about the new law.

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humiliation

Definition	the act of (someone) losing pride or feeling disgraced, often due to another's actions
Part of speech	noun
Use in sentence	When Grace was the last one to be picked for a soccer team during PE, she was filled with humiliation.

mutiny

Definition	open rebellion of subordinates against their established leaders, especially of military personnel against their superior officers
Part of speech	noun
Use in sentence	The ship's officers were arrested for mutiny and court-martialed.

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treaty

Definition	a formal agreement between two or more countries
Part of speech	noun
Use in sentence	The two nations signed a treaty to settle their dispute.

uprising

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Definition	an act of resistance or rebellion against authority
Part of speech	noun
Use in sentence	The uprising was quickly stopped by the army.