The Cold War

Western European Recovery

1. “Every age projects its own image of man into its art.” Assess the validity of this statement with reference to two representative twentieth-century European works in either the visual or literary arts. AP 1977

2. Analyze criticisms of European society presented by European authors in the period 1940 to 1970. Be sure to discuss at least two works. AP 1992

3. Analyze various factors that contributed to the process of decolonization in the period 1914 to 1975. (2012 A)

4. Analyze the long-term and short-term factors responsible for the disintegration of communist rule in TWO of the following states:
   Czechoslovakia
   East Germany
   Hungary
   Poland (2009 A)
5. Compare the ways in which the two works of art reproduced below express the artistic, philosophical and cultural values of their times. AP 1981

Michelangelo’s “David,” 1501-04

Giacometti’s “Man Pointing,” 1947

6. Assess the strengths and weaknesses of the economic revival of Western Europe between 1945 and 1970. AP 1986

7. Analyze the ways in which technology was an issue in European social activism between 1945 and 1970. Be sure to include the following: environmentalism, peace movements, student protests, women’s movements, workers’ movements. AP 1990

8. Compare and contrast the attitudes toward science and technology held by Enlightenment thinkers with the various attitudes held by European artists and intellectuals in the twentieth century. AP 1993

9. Identify four specific changes in science and technology, and explain their effects on Western European family and private life between 1918 and 1970. AP 1995
10. Compare and contrast the women’s suffrage movements of the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries with the European feminist movements of the 1960's and 1970's. AP 1996

11. Using specific examples from Eastern and Western Europe, discuss economic development during the period 1945 to the present, focusing on ONE of the following:
   Economic recovery and integration
   Development of the welfare state and its subsequent decline (AP 1999)

12. Compare and contrast the political and economic effects of the Cold War (1945-1991) on Western Europe with the effects on Eastern Europe. AP 2001

13. Many historians have suggested that since 1945, nationalism has been on the decline in Europe. Using both political and economic examples from the period 1945 to 2000, evaluate the validity of this interpretation. (AP 2002)

14. Between 1945 and 1970, virtually all European colonies achieved independence. Discuss the changes within Europe that contributed to this development. (AP 2002 B)

15. Compare and contrast the political and economic policies of Joseph Stalin in the period before the Second World War and those of Mikhail Gorbachev (1985-1991) AP 2000


17. Compare and contrast the victorious Allied powers' treatment of Germany after the First World War with their treatment of Germany after the Second World War. Analyze the reasons for the similarities and differences. (AP 2005 B)

18. Contrast late-nineteenth-century European attitudes and policies about race to those after 1950. (AP 2008 B)

19. Analyze the factors responsible for decolonization since the Second World War. (AP 2005 B)

20. Compare and contrast the social and economic roles of the state in seventeenth- and eighteenth-century Europe (before 1789) to the social and economic roles of the state in Europe after the Second World War. (AP 2006 A)

21. Analyze the economic and social challenges faced by Western Europe in the period from 1945 to 1989. (AP 2008 A)
22. Describe and analyze economic policies in Eastern and Western Europe after 1945. (AP 2006 B)

23. In the period 1953 to 1991, analyze the problems within the Soviet Union which contributed to the collapse of the Soviet system. (AP 2007 A)