

Time Period 6 Introduction and Overview

GLOBALIZATION: Intensification of contacts among all major parts of the world, ex. Trade, culture, physical health and well being, formal diplomacy, war, political institutions, environment, crime

What are the defining characteristics of the world today? (BRAINSTORM)

<p><u>ECONOMIC</u> Industries, Centers of Power, Trade, Labor</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stock Markets • International Corporations • Cheap labor • Minimum wages • Oil • Tech / Computers / Robotics • Automobiles • Global Trade • Capitalism 	<p><u>INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTIONS AND STRUCTURES</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • United Nations • European Union • NATO • G-8 / G-20 • World Bank • IMF • SEATO • NAFTA • World Health Organization 	<p><u>ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Global Warming • Pollution • Renewable Resources • “Green” Technology • Endangered Species • Conservation • Clean Energy • Deforestation 	<p><u>THREATS AND AREAS OF CONFLICT</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Terrorism • ISIS / Al Qaeda • Brexit? • Cyber Security • Political infighting • Russia • Middle East • North Korea 	<p><u>SOCIAL CONCERNS</u> Health, Disease, Poverty</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Third World • Famine • Affordable Healthcare • Viruses / Outbreaks • Degenerative diseases • Cancer • AIDS Epidemic
<p><u>CULTURAL ELEMENTS</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Olympics • FIFA / World Cup • Diversity of music • News Media Corporations • Social Media • Youtube / Twitter / Instagram 	<p><u>ROLE OF RELIGION</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Radicalization • Extremism • Fundamentalism 	<p><u>TECHNOLOGY</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Internet / social media • Artificial intelligence • Nuclear warfare • Smart phones • Self-driving cars • Automation • Medical Advances: vaccines, medical devices, surgery 	<p><u>MIGRATION OF PEOPLE</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • War Refugees • Illegal immigration • Open borders • Travel Ban 	<p><u>ISSUES OF EQUALITY</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gender spectrum • Wage gap • Stereotypes • Racism / discrimination / prejudice • Self-Identification • Freedom of Marriage

Why does this phenomena occur in the 20th century as it does?

- advancing technology and innovation,
- global investment,
- policies of imperialism and trade,
- greater standardization (currency, travel, mail delivery, communication, etc),

Pros and Cons of Globalization

- debates ongoing about the process of globalization not an inevitable force rather the question becomes how to best use the levers, systems, structures, traditions of the world to improve the lives of most
- growing uniformities and similarities across the world
- despite this process regional differences still often determine success or failure of a nation
- creates new challenges to traditions and identities