

1. Examine the maps on pages 388 and 390. Based on geography, hypothesize why was Poland conquered so many times throughout its history?

2. Define the following:

a. national identity

b. ghetto

c. Holocaust

3. Why do you think Poland was one of the places most affected by the Holocaust?

4. Who controlled Poland from the 1940s-1980s?

5. Why was it difficult to change from a command economy to a market economy in Poland?

6. Why did Czech Republic and Slovakia separate to become 2 different countries?

7. Define "privatization."

8. What might be an advantage and disadvantage of collective farms under communism?

9. Why did economic production drop after countries like Hungary became free of communism in the 1990s?

10. Define the following:

a. balkanize

b. entrepreneur

c. multiplier effect

11. How did an American soft drink company revitalize the economy of Romania?



Map Skills: Answer the following using the map on page 399.

12. What 3 bodies of water form the Balkan Peninsula?

13. List the 6 countries that became independent after Yugoslavia collapsed in 1991? (There are 7 now that Kosovo is an independent country)

14. Define “ethnic cleansing.”

15. Even though Serbs and Croats speak an almost identical language, why do they consider themselves different ethnic groups?

Map Skills: Answer the following using the map on pages 94-95.

16. What are the 2 European countries where the majority of people practice Islam? (Kosovo, the newest country in Europe, is also predominantly Muslim, but does not appear on the map).

17. List at least 3 reasons conflict and boundary changes have been so common in Eastern Europe.

18. What 3 major religions are practiced by the people on the Balkan Peninsula?

19. What event led to the start of World War I?

Map Skills: Answer the following using the maps on pages 404-405

20. Which country boundary seem to show the least change on all 3 maps?

21. What 3 empires controlled the territory of Poland in 1885?

23. List 4 countries that appeared on the 1920 map for the first time. (For example, don't list Romania because there was a Kingdom of Romania in 1885.)

24. What was the political status of the Baltic States and Belarus, Ukraine and Moldova before 1991?

25. How were the people of the Baltic States treated under Soviet rule?

26. How have the Baltic States transformed their economies since independence in 1991?

27. List at least 2 long-term effects of the Chernobyl nuclear disaster in Ukraine.

28. How has Belarus differed from the other former Soviet republics since they became independent in 1991?

29. Based on what you have read, what pattern seems common in countries emerging from Communist control?

