

## **Carter Brehm - Chapter 16 Reading Questions**

1. Describe the technological innovations that made the global domination of the West possible.
  1. Most of the developments of the age were dedicated to explorers, and enhanced their ability to colonize other areas. This is why developments in ships and navigation meant everything to these nations. The compass helped explorers to find their way on water. The new ship designs used rounded hulls made out of new metal that was also used for ship defenses. Lastly, mapmaking helped to mark the dawn of a new colonized world.
2. Trace the early exploration of the world by the West.
  1. With China subdued under Mongol rule and the Ottomans' expansion slowed down, the western country had free reign when it came to colonization. The main concern was protecting the people they sent over there, because they were so far away. With no real rival forces, this concern was gone. Most European countries targeted far across the ocean in North and South America, along with their accompanying islands.
3. Define the Colombian Exchange.
  1. The Colombian Exchange describes the process of European countries trading with the newly-discovered native peoples. The Europeans bought their raw goods, but also brought disease to the countries as the natives hadn't gotten used to these diseases.
4. Compare British and French North America with other European colonies.
  1. British settlers mostly went to escape religious persecution while Spanish settlers wanted to form large estates to pull in an income. This was unlike South America, where both countries were more temporary for quick monetary benefits.
5. Evaluate the results of the creation of a world economy.

1. The world economy was great! Only if you were in the right position at the time. If you were a slave in Africa, your life only got harder as the owners pushes harder to get more output. Diseases spread to the poor. However, there were good sides for most of Europe. There was a sudden economic boom for the middle class. More food led to a more stable diet.