

The Rise of Modern Times

History - 14th-17th centuries: Europe

The Renaissance
(14th-17th centuries)

Freed the minds of Europeans from the Church's control

The Reformation
(16th-17th centuries)

Increased the power of rulers; absolutism arose

The Scientific Revolution
(17th-18th centuries)

The spirits of challenging authority and inspiration from the laws of nature; emergence of Enlightenment thinkers

The Enlightenment
(17th-18th centuries)

Laid the foundation for the technological development of modern Europe

The Industrial Revolution
(18th-19th centuries)

New tide of European colonial expansion
(19th-20th centuries)

Freed the minds of Europeans from absolutism; fostered political transformations in Europe

Rise of liberalism and nationalism; tides of revolutions and unification movements

Influence of the French Revolution and the Napoleonic Era

Formation of unified nation-states
(19th century)

The French Revolution
(late 18th century)

Europe had technological and economic supremacy