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**How did certain land-based empires develop and expand in the period 1450-1750?**

Directions: Read through the Power Point notes and answer the questions that follow. If you need to use an outside source to look up definitions, you may do so.

**EUROPE**

1. **Define – Monarchy**

A monarchy is a government ruled by a king or a queen. It is ruled by a singular person.

1. **Define – Divine Right of Kings**

The idea that the God’s favored the wealthy and powerful. The ruler was God’s authority. The Kings were born to inherit the crown before their birth.

1. **How did European monarchs centralize power?**

English Kings centralized power by having Bureaucratic Elites to collect taxes and create laws in the name of the King. On the other hand, French kings would build architectural monuments to gain the loyalty of nobles and believed the King should have absolute power. This means the French King would have the power with all processes of law.

4. **Define Protestant Reformation –** A movement against the Roman Church, brought up by Martin Luther because of the corruption of the Roman Church. This movement began to try to reform the Catholic Church but were unsuccessful. Instead, Protestant Churches resulted from these attempts.

5. **Define 95 Theses –** The 95 Theses was a list of points that identified the indulgences of the Church. Martin Luther, the person who wrote the 95 Theses, showed his ideas on why the church cannot make you pay for your sins.

6. **Who is Martin Luther? -** Martin Luther is a German monk who wrote the 95 Theses and is a heretic against the Roman Catholic Church. He disliked indulgences and simony.

7. **Define Scientific Revolution –** The Scientific Revolution was when modern science had emerged as a new way of learning about the world. Scientific thinking and ideas of the Renaissance had begun to spread around during the 1600s.

**RUSSIA**

8. **Which technological innovation enabled Russia to expand to the East?** The technological innovation that enabled Russia to expand to the East is gunpowder.

9. **How did Russian rulers like Ivan IV and Peter the Great centralize their power?** Russian rulers Ivan IV and Peter the Great centralized their power in many ways. For instance, Ivan IV centralized their power by forcing families of boyars to live in Moscow and created the Oprichnina. This was secret police who spied on the Boyars. Ivan IV thought that the Boyars were going to overthrow him. Peter the Great led a boyar army to take control after Ivan IV. Peter the Great also reorganized Russia into provinces.

**EAST ASIA**

10. **How did China’s expansion under the Qing Dynasty impact their economy?** China’s expansion under the Qing dynasty impacted their economy by increasing taxes on their people.

11. **Define bureaucracy –** An organization of appointed officials.

12. **Define civil service exam –** An examto pick out the brightest and smartest people to serve in the civil service and government.

**OTTOMAN EMPIRE**

13. **Define Gunpowder Empires –** The Gunpowder Empires were the Ottoman, Safavid, Mughal, and Russian Empires. The spread of gunpowder from China would allow the Gunpowder Empires to expand and grow. The Gunpowder Empires were highly militaristic, but left out great artistic pieces and architectures, created to legitimize the rule of their leaders.

14. **Define Devshirme System –** This systemhas Christian boys who were taken from their families and forced to serve in the government and military.

15. **Define Janissaries –** Janissaries are the elite devshirme. Janissaries are very loyal to the sultan and are part of the infantry division.

16. **Who was the absolute monarch of the Ottoman Empire at its peak of power? Hint – He is nicknamed “The Magnificent”** – The absolute monarch of the Ottoman Empire at the peak of its power was Suleiman the Magnificent.

**SAFAVID EMPIRE**

17. **The Safavid Empire is located primarily in which present-day country?** The Safavid Empire is located primarily in the present-day Iran.

18. **Which sect of Islam was influential in the Safavid Empire? How did this impact their relationship with the Ottomans?** The Safavid Empire used Shia Islam as an unifying force and had denied legitimacy to any Sunnis ruler. Since the Ottomans were Sunnis Islam, the Ottomans used trade bans against the Safavid to assert dominance.

**MUGHAL EMPIRE**

19**. The Mughal Empire is located primarily in which present-day country?** The Mughal Empire is located in present-day India.

20. **Which absolute ruler governed the Mughal Empire, bringing stability, expansion, and increased trade?** The absolute ruler that governed the Mughal Empire that brought stability, expansion, and trade was Akbar the Great.

21. **Akbar the Great is known for showing religious tolerance. What does this mean?** This means Akbar the Great allows people to believe in their own religion, even if that religion contradicts his own.

22. **Define Zamindars** – A group ofbureaucrats that went to different places in the Mughal Empire to collect taxes based on land holdings or production.

**JAPAN**

23. **Define Shoguns –** The military leader of Japan. Although they are military leaders, they had more power than the Emperor.

24**. Define Daimyo –** A great warrior lord that held a place below the Shogun. They were landholding aristocrats.

25. **Define Samurai –** A member of the warrior class and had a noble standing in the society. Samurai are led by the daimyos.

26. **When the Tokugawa Shogunate gained power in Japan, which system came to an end?** When the Tokugawa Shogunate gained power in Japan, the feudal system came to an end.

27. **How was art and architecture used to legitimize power?** Rulers would use art and architecture to legitimize power by showing off their incredible designs and building sizes. People would walk past the art pieces and architecture and they would think of how great and powerful their leader is.

28. **How did empires make money to continue their rule?** Empires make money through taxes. Taxes could be gems, food, domesticated animals, or currency.