

## Outline of 782 -- European History and Ideology (1900-1940)

Pre-World War I Europe (foundations)	[2 weeks]
Notes on Pre-WWI Europe	
Notes on Capitalism	
Liberalism: An Enlightenment Theory of Individualism and Government	
A Collage of Impressions about Pre-World War One Europe	
Imperialism – Causes, Justifications, and Opposition	
Imperialism (from <i>Voices, 1870-1914</i> )	
George Orwell, “Shooting and Elephant”	
Workers’ Ideologies	[1 week]
Trade Unionism, Socialism, Marxism	
Quotations of Karl Marx	
World War One	[1 week]
Who Started the Great War?	
A Collage of Impressions about World War One	
<i>Dulce et Decorum Est</i>	
Psychological Causes of Violence	
{We will also be seeing short videos}	
Russian Revolution through Stalin	[1 week]
Russia Chronology	
From Marx to Stalin	
{We will also be seeing a short video}	
Weimar Germany and Interwar Culture	[2 weeks]
Weimar History, Crises, Culture, and Psychology {We will also be seeing a short video}	
Interwar Art (for a Slide Lecture)	
Franz Kafka – “A Common Confusion”	
Franz Kafka – “Before the Law”	
Existentialism	[1 week]
Notes on Existentialism (for my lecture)	
Jean Paul Sartre, “The Wall”	
Sigmund Freud and Psychoanalysis	[1 week]
Notes on Freud and Psychoanalysis (for my lecture)	
Fascism and Nazism	[1 week]
The World Economic Crisis: Unemployment in Germany	
Fascism and Nazism	

## **Suggested Bibliography (NOT REQUIRED IN ANY WAY)**

### ***General Text***

Felix Gilbert and David Large, *The End of the European Era: 1890 to the Present*

### ***Personal Experiences***

Stefan Zweig, *The World of Yesterday* (Zweig's life from pre-War Vienna through exile during WWII)

George Orwell, "Such, Such Were the Joys..." (on Orwell's early schooling), *Burmese Days* (a novel about Imperialism)

### ***World War One***

Erich Maria Remarque, *All Quiet on the Western Front* (an anti-war novel from the perspective of a German soldier – A classic)

### ***Russia: The Revolution through Stalin***

Karl Marx and Fredrick Engels, *The Communist Manifesto*

Sheila Fitzpatrick, *The Russian Revolution* (through Stalin)

Arthur Koestler, *Darkness at Noon* (a profound novel about the Purge Trials)

### ***Inter-War Years***

Otto Friedrich, *Before the Deluge* (a popular history on Weimar Germany)

Arthur Solmssen, *A Princess in Berlin* (a great novel on the hyperinflation in Germany.

Out of Print, but available in its entirety online and at Amazon)

Franz Kafka, *Basic Kafka* and *The Trial*

Anthony Storr, *Freud*

David Stafford Clark, *What Freud Really Said*

Jean Paul Sartre, *No Exit and Other Plays; Intimacy and Other Stories*

### ***Nazism***

Margot Strom and William Parsons, *Facing History and Ourselves: Holocaust and Human Behavior* (This is a text but it places you in historical situations and presents complex dilemmas)

Milton Mayer, *They Thought They Were Free* (interviews with people who became Nazis)

Joseph Persico, *Nuremberg, Infamy on Trial*

### ***Post-World War II World***

Aldous Huxley, *Brave New World*

George Orwell, *1984*