

## AP World History Jargon

Below is a list of words you will encounter at some point during AP World History:

abolition	central / -centric	debt
absolutism	circa (c. ca.)	deficit
administer / -stration	city-state	deforestation
admonish /ment	citizen	deity / deism
Afro	civilization / civilized	delay
after-life	chauvinism	democracy
agrarian	chivalry	demography
Amer	class struggle	demon / -ize
analyze / analysis	classical	destiny
anarchism/ anarchy	clergy	determinism
ancient	coerce	dictator / -ship
<i>ante bellum</i>	coincidence	diffuse / diffusion
anti-semitism	colony, colonial	diplomacy / diplomatic
appease /-ment	commodity	diversity/ diverse
arable	communal	divinity/ divine
archaeology	communism	doctrine / doctrinal
archaic	conflate	document (v. & n.)
architecture	conjuncture	dogma / dogmatic
-archy	conscript / -ion	domestic
argue / argument	conservative	draft (v. & n.)
aristocracy	constitution (small "c")	dualism
atheism	consumer / -ism	dynasty
asceticism	contemporary	
austerity	contest (v.)	eclectic
authoritarian / -ism	context	economy/ economic
	continent	edict
balance of power	contingency / contingent	edifice / edify
balance of trade	convention / -al	egalitarian
barbarian	converge	elite
blockade	converse (v.& n.)	empire /emperor
border (national)	convert (v. & n.)	emporia
boycott	corporation / corporate	encounter
bourgeoisie	corollary	enlighten
broker (v.)	correlation	entrepôt
bullion	cosmopolitan	era
bureaucracy / -cratic	coup d'état	ethic
	-cracy	ethnic / ethnicity/ ethno
cabinet (governmental)	craft (n. & v.)	eunuch
capital / -ism	credit	Euro
capitol	currency	executive (branch)
capitulate	current	expense
cartel		explicate
casualty	Darwinism	explicit
causation	<i>de facto</i>	
celibacy / celibate	debit	
facade	fascism	feminism

feudalism  
fief / fiefdom  
figurative  
filial  
fiscal  
forage  
frame of reference  
fraternize / -zation  
free trade  
frontier  
fundamental / -ism

gender  
genocide  
geo-  
globalization  
government  
-graphy  
guild

haggle  
hegemony  
helio  
hierarchy  
historiography  
hyper-  
hypo-  
hypocrisy / hypocrite

identity  
ideology  
impede / impediment  
imperialism  
implicit  
incarnation / incarnate  
indenture (v.)  
independence  
indigenous  
industry / industrial/ -ism  
inherent  
inherit  
inverse / invert  
-ism / -ist / -ize  
  
judiciary / judicial  
juncture  
junta

kin / kinship  
king / kingship  
principle

laissez-faire  
-lateral (uni- bi- multi-)  
the Left  
legislature / legislative  
legitimacy / legitimate  
liberal  
-logy

majority  
mal  
malnourish / -nutrition  
mandate (v. & n.)  
manifest  
manifesto  
manuscript  
maritime  
material  
materiel  
maternal  
matriarch  
medieval  
mercantilism  
merchandise  
merchant  
merit /meritocracy  
meso-  
meta-  
metallurgy  
metaphorical  
metropole / -politan  
middle class  
migrate / migration  
military / militarism  
minister (n. e.g. a diplomat)  
minority  
modern / -ity  
monarch /monarchy  
monastery /monastic  
monetary  
mono-  
monogamy  
monopoly  
monsoon  
mortal /mortality  
mutate

nation  
nation-state  
nationalism  
proletariat

negotiate  
neo-  
nether-  
NGOs  
nobility / noble  
nomad / nomadic  
nun

optimism  
oracle  
oral  
orate  
ordain  
orthodox / orthodoxy

pacifism/ pacify  
pagan  
paleo-  
pan-  
papacy / papal  
pastoral  
paternal  
pathogen  
patriarch / -archy  
patrician  
patron / -ize  
peasant  
peccadillo  
penultimate  
peon / age  
period  
perspective  
pessimism  
philia / -philic / -ophile  
phobia / phobic  
pilgrim/ pilgrimage  
plague  
plausible  
plethora  
plurality  
point of view  
political / politics  
poly-  
polygamy  
post-  
pragmatism / pragmatic  
pretext  
priest  
primary  
principal  
promulgate

propaganda  
protectorate  
proto-  
providence  
province / provincial  
push-pull factors  
psycho-

quagmire  
qualify  
quandary  
quantify  
quantity  
quest

racism/ racial  
radical  
rare / rarity  
rational / rationale  
raw material  
rebel / rebellion  
reform  
regime  
register (n. & v.)  
regulation  
reincarnation  
republic  
revenue  
revolt  
revolution  
the Right  
rural  
Russo-

sacred  
sarcasm  
scholar  
secede / secession  
secondary  
sect  
secular  
sedentary  
segregation  
serf / serfdom  
shaman / -ism  
Sino-  
skepticism / skeptical  
slavery  
Social Darwinism  
social democracy  
socialism  
socio-economic  
sovereignty / sovereign  
state (n.)  
*status quo*  
strata / stratification  
sub-  
submerge  
subordinate (v. & n.)  
subsistence  
subvert / subversive  
surrender  
syncretic / syncretism  
synthesis

tangible  
tariff  
tele-

teleology / teleological  
temporary  
terminal  
territory / territorial  
terrorism  
text / textual  
textile  
theocracy  
Third World  
totalitarian  
tradition  
trust (n.)

uber-  
ultimate  
ultimatum  
unanimity/ unanimous  
unify/ unity  
union (n.)  
urban  
utopian

venerate / veneration  
verbal / verbalize  
vermin  
vernacular  
viceroy

xeno-  
xenophobia / -phobic

the West  
working class  
world-systems theory