Lecture 11: Culture, Society and Economy of the Fin-de-Siecle

I. Introduction: Challenging liberalism.

II. The economy changes gear
   A. Second Industrial Revolution: industrialization spreads; new technologies; large-scale industry and finance
   B. The Great Depression: deflation, free trade abandoned, growth of monopolies, department stores and mass retailing

III. The politics of democracy
   A. democratization of electoral systems
   B. mass socialism: Karl Marx, Das Kapital; First International, 1864; German Social Democratic Party (SPD); "New Unions"
   C. mass feminism: Equal Rights and Socialist Feminists
   D. racial nationalism

IV. The culture of the irrational: Sigmund Freud (1856-1939) and Gustav Klimt (1862-1918): Unveiling the Bourgeois Liberal Family
Lecture 12: The New Imperialism

I. Introduction: King Leopold of Belgium (1865-1909) and the lust for colonies

II. Imperialism Defined: The Age of Empire (1880-1914)

III. The Causes of Imperialism
   A. Economics: new markets, investments, raw materials and food
   B. Politics: nationalism and national competition, mass politics
   C. Culture: religion, science and racism

IV. The Culture of Empire: How did culture promote imperialism?
   A. Propaganda and Empire
   B. Creating a White Race: The Boer War and the Boy Scouts
Lecture 13: The Great Fratricide: World War I

I. Introduction: WWI and the Launching of the 20th Century

II. Outbreak of Hostilities
   A. Germany and the War Guilt Clause
   B. Austria-Hungary and minority nationalisms
      -- Gavrilo Princip assassinates Francis Ferdinand
      -- The Ultimatum and the Blank Check
      -- July 28, 1914, Austria declares war on Serbia
   C. Europe Takes Sides
      -- The Triple Entente: France, Russia and England
      -- Escalation from local to continental War

III. Trench Warfare and the Frustrations of a Stalemate
   A. War Fever
   B. Creation of a Stalemate
      -- Germans march through Belgium
      -- 1st Battle of the Marne
      -- The Machine Gun and the Trench System
      -- Trying to end the stalemate
      -- The Battle of the Somme, July 1, 1916

IV. The Home Front
   A. War Governments
   B. Social Impact
      -- Social leveling
      -- Women
      -- Workers