

# UNIT 6. THE MODERN AGE II - REVIEW

## CHECK YOUR LEARNING

### THE 17<sup>TH</sup> CENTURY: THE DECLINE OF THE SPANISH EMPIRE

1. How was the 17<sup>th</sup> century Spain different to 16<sup>th</sup> century Spain? \_\_\_\_\_

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2. Explain why the 17<sup>th</sup> century was a time of decline for Spain. Which were the causes of the economic crisis? \_\_\_\_\_

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3. Make a list of the kings who ruled Spain during the 17<sup>th</sup> century.

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- \_\_\_\_\_

4. Complete the text using these words.

Duque de Lerma - royal favourites - absolute monarchy - Felipe II - Spanish - expulsion of the Moriscos - 1700 -
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Felipe III was the son of \_\_\_\_\_. He became king of Spain in \_\_\_\_\_ His \_\_\_\_\_ governed for him.

The most important one was the \_\_\_\_\_. The most important event of his reign was the \_\_\_\_\_. Felipe V became king of Spain in \_\_\_\_\_. He established an \_\_\_\_\_. He made \_\_\_\_\_ the only official language.

5. Complete the table. Write each of these facts or people in the corresponding place.

- Expulsion of Moriscos
- War of Succession
- Thirty Years War
- Conde Duque de Olivares
- Duque de Lerma
- Independence of Portugal

Felipe III	Felipe IV	Carlos II

6. Match the related terms.

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| 1 Spanish hegemony                  | ___ a The end of the Spanish imperial dominance        |
| 2 valido                            | ___ b A system in which the ruler held limitless power |
| 3 absolute monarchy                 | ___ c A person who ruled Spain on behalf of a monarch  |
| 4 the decline of the Spanish empire | ___ d Spain's imperial dominance                       |

7. Answer the following questions.

a. Who fought the Thirty Years' War? Name a territory Spain lost in the war.

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b. What event ended the reign of the Habsburg dynasty? \_\_\_\_\_

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c. What caused the Spanish War of Succession? Who ruled after this war?

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d. Who were the royal favourites or *validos*? Give two examples.

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e. Why did pirates attack Spanish ships? \_\_\_\_\_  
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f. Did the Spanish Empire increase or decrease in the 17<sup>th</sup> century?  
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8. Write the name of one Golden Age artist from each of these categories:

- Architecture: \_\_\_\_\_
- Painting: \_\_\_\_\_
- Sculptures: \_\_\_\_\_
- Literature: \_\_\_\_\_

## THE 18<sup>TH</sup> CENTURY: THE BOURBON DYNASTY

9. Answer the following questions:

a. Why did the War of Succession start? Who ruled Spain after this war?

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b. What is the Treaty of Utrecht? What territories did Spain lose after the Treaty of Utrecht? \_\_\_\_\_

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c. Who was the first king of the Bourbon dynasty? \_\_\_\_\_

d. Why were the European power unhappy with the choice of Felipe V as King?

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10. Make a list of the Spanish kings of the 18<sup>th</sup> century. Write one fact next to each king.

1. \_\_\_\_\_ → \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_ → \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_ → \_\_\_\_\_

4. \_\_\_\_\_ → \_\_\_\_\_

11. What improvements did Carlos III make?

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12. Match the 18<sup>th</sup> century ruler to the key terms that describe his reign.

1 Felipe V \_\_\_\_\_ a French Revolution

2 Fernando VI \_\_\_\_\_ b Centralised government

3 Carlos III \_\_\_\_\_ c Many reforms

4 Carlos IV \_\_\_\_\_ d Neutrality, peace

13. Where did the Enlightenment develop?

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14. What was the *Encyclopaedia*?

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## REVIEW

15. Read the sentences and write the names of the kings they refer to. Which Dynasty did each king belong to?

1. The real power belonged to the Conde-Duque de Olivares.

2. He died without an heir.

3. He introduced the absolute monarchy.

4. He introduced various improvements in Spanish cities.

**16. Complete the table. What event marked the change of the two dynasties?**

Felipe V - Thirty Year's War - validos - modernisation of Spain  
 - Carlos II - population increase - population decrease -  
 expulsion of the Moriscos - Enlightenment

HABSBURGS	BOURBONS

**17. Order the events from the earliest to the most recent. Write the dates.**

1. The Spanish War of Succession began. \_\_\_\_\_
2. Felipe V became the first Bourbon. \_\_\_\_\_
3. The Thirty Years' War began. \_\_\_\_\_
4. Carlos II. \_\_\_\_\_
5. Portugal became independent. \_\_\_\_\_

**18. Draw two time lines for the 17<sup>th</sup> and the 18<sup>th</sup> centuries. Include the names of the kings and of Spain and the dates of their reigns.**

17th Century

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18th Century

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19. Decide in the following events occurred in the 17<sup>th</sup> or 18<sup>th</sup> century.

1. The War of Succession took place.
2. Minister called validos ruled the country.
3. The Treaty of Utrecht was signed.
4. Many Spaniards emigrated to America.
5. Spain lost Gibraltar.

17 <sup>th</sup> CENTURY	18 <sup>th</sup> CENTURY



20. Look at the maps. Which one is from the beginning of the 17<sup>th</sup> century? Which one is from the beginning of the 18<sup>th</sup> century? Explain.

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## LEARN MORE

### The MYSTERY OF LAS MENINAS

Velázquez is one of the most famous painters in the world. He lived during the 17<sup>th</sup> century, when painting was simply a job. Velazquez wanted to be a nobleman, too.

When Velazquez was 24 years old, he became a painter at the court of Felipe IV. He finally became a nobleman a few months before his death in 1660.

In his work *Las Meninas*, Velazquez included a portrait of himself. In the painting he is wearing the Cross of the Order of Santiago. Only noblemen can wear this cross. How was this possible when he painted the picture in 1656?

We don't know if Velazquez painted over the original painting, or if the King changed the painting to say thank you to the great painter.



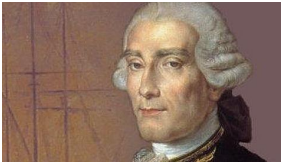
- What did Velázquez want?
- How old was Velázquez when he became a painter for Felipe IV?
- What happened to Velázquez a few months before his death?
- Why is it strange that in *Las Meninas* Velázquez is wearing the Cross of the Order of Santiago?
- What does the title "*Las Meninas*" mean?
- Who do you think people are? Where are they?



Create a word document to answer this activity. Need help? Talk to your teacher.

## PROJECT

Create a poster or a power point about one of the following topics to illustrate your presentation.



☞ Jorge Juan y Santacilia was a Spanish mathematician and scientist. He discovered the fact that the Earth is not perfectly spherical, but flattened at the poles.

Find out more about the expeditions that helped Jorge Juan come to such conclusions.

☞ Search the internet about Francisco de Goya.

☞ Search the internet about 18<sup>th</sup> century buildings near where you live.

☞ The Prado Museum was built during the reign of Carlos III: What other monuments in Madrid were created during his reign?