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HISTORY OF TWENTIETH CENTURY WORLD (1947-2000)

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UNIT I

1. Imperialism and imperialist rivalries.
2. The First World War and its consequences.
3. The Russian Revolution and 'Socialism in one country'.
4. The Great Depression.
5. Fascism and its variants.

UNIT II

6. The Second World War: Causes and Consequences.
7. The Chinese Revolutions; China under Communism
8. Cold War: Beginnings, stages and end.
9. Decolonization and emergence of independent nations in Asia and Africa; end of Apartheid in South Africa.
10. Neo-colonialism and under development in Asia, Africa and Latin America.

UNIT III

11. Middle East and Arab-Israel Conflict.
12. Economic development in Europe and European Integration.
13. The collapse of the Soviet Union and socialist regimes in Eastern Europe.
14. Technological and Scientific Advances; Cultures, Literature and Arts.

UNIT IV

15. Globalization and its discontents; Environment and climate change.
16. Problems of capitalism and new international economic order.
17. International organization and international security.
18. Debate on world population.
19. Human rights, feminist and other social movements.
20. Communication media and their social and cultural contexts.

Reading List:

1. Carter Findley and John Rothney, *Twentieth Century World*, 6th Edition, Mifflin, Houghton, 2006.
2. Eric J. Hobsbawm, *The Age of Extremes: A History of the World, 1914-1991*, Vintage Books, New York, 1996.
3. J. A. S. Grenville, *A History of the World in the 20th Century*, Belknap Press, London, 1994.
4. J. M. Roberts, *The Penguin History of Twentieth Century: The History of the World, 1901 to the Present*, Penguin, London, 2004.
5. Norman Lowe, *Mastering Modern World History*, Macmillan, Delhi, 1997.
6. William J. Duiker, *Contemporary World History*, 5th Edition, Wordsworth, London, 2010.