

## AN INTRODUCTION TO WORLD HISTORY

### Selected Readings

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#### 1. Legacies of the 'long' Nineteenth Century (1750-1914)

- Trevor R. Gerz: *The Long Nineteenth Century* (Bloomsbury, 2018)
- Eric Hobsbawm: *The Age of Revolution; The Age of Capital; The Age of Empire*

#### 2. The Road to World War I

- Barbara Tuchman, *The Guns of August* (Penguin, 2014)
- Margaret MacMillan: *The War that ended Peace* (Profile Books, 2014)
- Christopher Clark: *The Sleepwalkers. How Europe went to War in 1914* (Penguin, 2014)
- Martin Kelly, *5 Key causes of World War I:*  
<https://www.thoughtco.com/causes-that-led-to-world-war-i-105515?print>

#### 3. The Versailles Treaty and the League of Nations

- Michael S. Neiberg: *The Versailles Treaty* (Oxford University Press, 2017)
- Ruth Henig: *The Peace that never Was. A History of the League of Nations* (Haus, 2019)

#### 4. The Russian Revolution and its Soviet aftermath

- Sheila Fitzpatrick: *The Russian Revolution* (Oxford University Press, 2017)
- Sean McMeeking: *The Russian revolution: a new history* (Profile Books, 2017)
- Peter Kenez: *A History of the Soviet Union* (Cambridge University Press, 2018)

#### 5. Fascism in Italy

- Christopher Hibbert: *Mussolini, the Rise and Fall of Il Duce* (Palgrave/Macmillan, 2008)
- Mussolini and Fascist Italy:  
<https://courses.lumenlearning.com/boundless-worldhistory/chapter/the-rise-of-fascism/>

## 6. Nazi Germany

- Thomas Childers: *The Third Reich. A History of Nazi Germany* (Simon & Schuster, 2018)
- Robert Gellately: *Hitler's true believers: how ordinary people became Nazis* (Oxford University Press, 2020)

## 7. The Second Spanish Republic and the Civil War

- Edward Malefakis, 'The Second Republic: A Noble Failure?', in Nigel Townson (ed.), *Is Spain different?* (Sussex University Press, 2015)  
<https://charlespowell.eu/wp-content/uploads/2018/09/The-Second-Republic.-A-Noble-Failure-E.-Malefakis-1.pdf>
- Manuel Álvarez Tardío and Fernando Reguillo: *The Spanish Second Republic revisited* (Sussex University Press, 2013)
- Michael Seidman, 'The Spanish Civil War: a unique conflict?', in Nigel Townson (ed.), *Is Spain different?* (Sussex University Press, 2015)

## 8. Causes and Consequences of World War II

- Robert Boyce, Joseph A. Maiolo (eds): *The Origins of World War Two: the debate continues* (Palgrave Macmillan, 2003)
- John Keegan: *The Second World War* (Penguin, 2005)
- Ed Conway: *The Summit: the biggest battle of World War II, fought behind closed doors* (Little & Brown, 2014)

## 9. The Cold War

- John Lewis Gaddis, *The Cold War* (Penguin, 2007)
- Odd Arne Westad, *The Cold War: a World History* (Allen Lane, 2017)

## 10. Colonialism and decolonization

- Dane Kennedy: *Decolonization* (Oxford University Press, 2016)
- Raymond F. Betts: *Decolonization* (Routledge, 2014)

## 11. The origins of European integration

- Derek W. Urwin: *The Community of Europe: a history of European integration since 1945* (Routledge, 1994)
- Alasdair Blair: *The European Union since 1945* (Routledge, 2010)

## 12. The end of the Cold War and its consequences

- Samuel Huntington, 'Democracy's third wave' *The Journal of Democracy*, vol. 2, no.2, Spring 1991.  
<https://www.ned.org/docs/Samuel-P-Huntington-Democracy-Third-Wave.pdf>
- Samuel Huntington, 'The clash of civilizations?' *Foreign Affairs*, Summer 1993.  
<https://charlespowell.eu/wp-content/uploads/2018/10/clash-of-civilization-1.pdf>

## 13. The World in the early 21<sup>st</sup> Century

- Robert Kagan, 'The twilight of the world order', *Brookings*, January 2017.  
<https://www.brookings.edu/research/the-twilight-of-the-liberal-world-order/>
- Graham Allison, 'The myth of the Liberal Order', *Foreign Affairs*, June 2018.  
[http://biblio.institutoelcano.org/DOCS/VVidaPolitica/BMarcoPolInter/Allison\\_MythLiberalOrder.pdf](http://biblio.institutoelcano.org/DOCS/VVidaPolitica/BMarcoPolInter/Allison_MythLiberalOrder.pdf)