Chapter 20 Strayer Guided Reading Questions: Part I

I.. The First World War: European Civilization in Crisis, 1914-1918

1. An Accident Waiting to Happen
   1. Name the Big 3: Triple Alliance
   2. Name the Big 3: Triple Entente
   3. Describe the incident that occurred in June of 1914 and was the “spark that flared in the powder keg of Europe.”
   4. Describe 4 factors of Europe’s 19th century history that led to the first World War.
2. Legacies of the Great War
   1. Give one example of how the war became “total war” for the countries involved.
   2. In what ways did the World War I mark new departures in the history of the 20th century?
   3. What are some examples of effects of WWI?
   4. How did the war transform international political life?
   5. The Treaty of Versailles formally ends WWI- What is one term of the Treaty?
   6. What is the League of Nations?
   7. How did the war impact European colonies? Know a couple examples.
   8. Describe several examples of how the war brings the United States to center stage as a global power.
   9. Why did the US not join the League of Nations?

II. Capitalism Unraveling: The Great Depression

1. What happened on October 24, 1929?
2. Why can we call this a “boom and bust?”
3. What was unemployment for Germany and the United States?
4. Know several examples of how the Depression impacted other countries besides the United States.
5. Describe Roosevelt’s response to the New Deal- What was another’s countries response?
6. What was the final trigger that ended the Great Depression?