

Chapter XIX
Internal Troubles, External Threats
China, the Ottoman Empire, and Japan, 1800-1914

The External Challenge: European Industry and Empire

1. What were the four dimensions of European imperialism that showed how China, the Ottoman Empire, and Japan were active participants in the global drama of the 19th C. world history and not merely passive victims or beneficiaries?

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2. In what ways did the Industrial Revolution shape the character of 19th C. European imperialism?

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3. What were the criteria by which Europeans judged both themselves and the rest of the world?

4. What contributed to changing European views of Asians and Africans in the 19th C.?

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Reversal of Fortune: China's Century of Crisis

1. In what ways was China a victim of its earlier success?
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2. What was the culmination of China's internal crisis by 1850? Why?
3. What did the revolutionary leaders insist on changing?
4. What destroyed the revolutionary rebels?
5. What were the consequences of saving the Qing Dynasty?
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6. How did Western pressure stimulate change in China during the 19th C. to its end?
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7. What strategies did China adopt to confront its various problems during the 1860s and 1870s?

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8. Explain the Boxer Rebellion of 1900.