

BIG PICTURE QUESTIONS (XXIV)

1. To what extent did the processes discussed in this chapter (**economic globalization, feminism, fundamentalism, environmentalism**) represent something new in the twentieth century? In what respects did they have roots in the more distant past?
2. In what ways did the **global North/South divide** find expression in the twentieth and early twenty-first centuries?
3. What have been the **benefits and drawbacks of globalization** since 1945?
4. Do the years since 1914 confirm or undermine **Enlightenment predictions about the future of humankind**?
5. “**The twentieth century marks the end of the era of Western dominance in world history.**” What evidence might support this statement? What evidence might contradict it?
6. To what extent do you think the various liberation movements of the twentieth and early twenty-first centuries—**communism, nationalism, democracy, feminism, internationalism**—have achieved their goals?
7. Based on material in Chapters 21, 22, and 24, how might you **define the evolving roles of the United States in the twentieth and early twenty-first centuries**?