

**UNIT 3: Eastern Europe and The Struggle for Wealth and Empire:  
1648-1763**

**Chapter 5 and Parts of Chapters 7 and 8**

**Section A: Two Aging Empires; The Partitions of Poland**

Reading Text: Chapter 5, Pages 189-196; Chapter 8, Pages 325 – 329

Topics The Holy Roman Empire after 1648  
The Republic of Poland about 1650

**Section B: The Formation of the Austrian, Prussian, and Russian Empires**

Reading Text: Chapter 5, Pages 199-224

Topics The Recovery and Growth of Hapsburg Power, 1648-1740  
The Austrian Monarchy by 1740  
Sweden's Short-Lived Empire  
The Territorial Growth of Brandenburg-Prussia  
The Prussian Military State  
Russia Before Peter the Great  
Peter the Great: Foreign Affairs and Territorial Expansion  
Internal Changes under Peter the Great  
The Results of Peter's Revolution  
The Partitions of Poland

**Section C: Elite and Popular Cultures and the Global Economy of the 18th Century**

Reading Text: Chapter 7, Pages 257-273

Letter to Lady R, 1716: Women and the Aristocracy- Montague  
Women of the Third Estate  
Act of Humanity- Defraigne  
Lords and Peasants- Blum

Topics Language  
Living Standards  
Religion  
Social Mores and Customs  
Commerce and Industry  
The World Economy: The Dutch, British, and French  
Asia, America, and Africa in the Global Economy  
The Wealth of W. Europe: Social Consequences

**Section D:      Western Europe After the Peace of Utrecht, 1713-1740**

Reading    Text: Chapter 7, Pages 274-282

Topics      France and Britain after 1713  
The “Bubbles”  
Fleury in France, Walpole in England

**Section E:      The Great War of the Mid-18<sup>th</sup> Century: The Peace of Paris, 1763**

Reading    Text: Chapter 7, Pages 282 – 296

Topics      18th Century Warfare  
The War of the Austrian Succession, 1740-1748  
The Seven Years’ War in Europe and America, 1756-1763  
The Seven Years’ War in India, 1756-1763  
The Peace Settlement of 1763