

Q. What was the contribution of Renaissance to the making of the modern world?

The contribution of renaissance to the making of the modern world is given below:

1. New ideas, rational outlook and scientific beliefs ended the age of old superstitions.
2. People discarded old values and adopted a scientific outlook.
3. It encouraged national thinking, spirit of enquiry and scientific investigation in all the spheres of life.
4. Education spread rapidly. Many schools and colleges were opened at various places.
5. Extensive voyages to explore new true routes were undertaken. These voyages led to the discovery of new routes and new lands.
6. It was marked by the origin of Nation states which were fully sovereign.

Q. Though there was a tremendous increase in the production of goods as a result of the industrial revolution, the condition of the workers became miserable which factors responsible for this?

The factors which were responsible for the miserable condition of the workers were:

1. The powerful capitalists in order to extract more profit exploited the poor people, especially women and children, who were used as cheap labour.
2. In the factories, employees worked in human conditions and often fell prey to deadly diseases.
3. The workers were forced to work for longer hours but were paid low.
4. It shattered the rural life by turning the farmers into landless labourers.

Q. What were the achievements of the war of American independence and the French revolution?

Achievements of the war of American independence:

1. The thirteen American colonies got rid of the foreign rule and paved the way or the birth of a new nation.
2. With the American Revolution started the practice of giving a written constitution to the people.
3. It led to the establishment of a truly democratic republic.
4. It opened the eyes of the Britshers and other colonial powers to be liberal with their colonial people .
5. It encouraged the revolutionary forces in other countries.

Achievements of French Revolution:

1. It put to an end to the arbitrary rule and developed the idea of People's Republic in Europe.
2. It preached the concept of equal rights for all the citizens.
3. It inspired the people throughout the world with the ideals of freedom and liberty which formed the base f national sovereignty.
4. It had a salutary effect on the ruling monarchies who took several steps to ensure people's welfare.
5. It spread the idea of human fraternity.

Q. Which factors were responsible for the conquest of Asia and Africa by imperialist countries?

The factor that was responsible for the conquest of Asia and Africa by imperialist countries were:

1. They were militarily weak and backward, so couldn't face the sophisticated weapons.
2. There was disunity in Asia and Africa. The countries in Asia and Africa were ruled by several small and local rulers who were always engaged in wars.
3. The rulers were callous and indifferent towards the welfare of people.

Q. What was the impact of the Russian Revolution of 1917 on economy and society?

The impact of the Russian Revolution on economy and society is given as:

1. It brought to an end the autocratic and despotic rule in Russia.
2. The power came into the hands of the working class.
3. The capitalist set up was replaced by the socialist set up.
4. Many reforms were introduced in the economic field. The land was forcibly taken away from the land lords and distributes among the farmers.
5. Slowly and slowly Russia became a world power.

End of the Lesson.....!