

Absolutism and Enlightenment Unit Objectives

1. You will be able to describe the Age of Absolutism by:
 - a. defining Absolute Monarch and Divine Right;
 - b. explaining positive and negative aspects of Absolute Monarchies; and
 - c. identifying examples of Absolute Monarchs and describing their policies.

2. You will be able to describe the development of English Constitutionalism by:
 - a. identifying the causes of the English Civil War and describing its aftermath;
 - b. explaining the purpose of the Restoration period;
 - c. describing the events of the Glorious Revolution and
 - d. describing the limitations placed on the monarchy.

3. You will be able to describe the Scientific Revolution by:
 - a. contrasting the geocentric theory and the heliocentric theory of the universe;
 - b. identifying important contributions of Nicolaus Copernicus, Galileo Galilei and Isaac Newton
 - c. explaining the reaction of the Church to new ideas about the natural world
 - d. describing the difference between the 'old science' and the 'new science';

4. You will be able to describe the Age of Enlightenment by:
 - a. explaining the key ideas of the Enlightenment and;
 - b. identifying important Enlightenment figures and their contributions and;
 - c. explaining the legacy of the Enlightenment.