Chapter 31- Revolution, Rebuilding, and New Challenges

Intro p. 1019-1020

* Read it. It introduces the major themes for the chapter.

The Decline of Communism in Eastern Europe Intro p. 1020

* Describe the Soviet Union’s interactions with Eastern Europe.
* How was Gorbachev different?

Solidarity in Poland p.1020-1021

* What elements of Polish society remained free from Soviet control following the riots of 1956?
* How did Pope John Paul II challenge Communist Poland?
* Who led the Gdansk protests? What were their demands?
* Who won?
* Who led the Solidarity movement in Poland?
* In what ways was it a limited revolution?
* How did the Solidarity movement survive after the 1981 crackdown?

Gorbachev’s Reforms in the Soviet Union p.1022-1024

* When did Mikhail Gorbachev come to power?
* What did his reforms bring about?
* What was Perestroika?
* What was Glasnost?
* How did he bring about some democracy?
* How did this lead to turmoil in 1989?
* Where did he withdraw soldiers from? Why?

Describe the revolutions of 1989 in Eastern Europe. Who were the participants and what were the results? (May help to make a chart of this) p. 1024-1026

Describe what happened to the Soviet Union under Boris Yeltsin. P.1026-1028

What were the causes of German reunification? How was it tied to events in the Soviet Union? P.1028-1030