APWH – Reading Guide Era 4 - THE EARLY MODERN WORLD 1450–1750 Name:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Chapter 14—Empires and Encounters, 1450–1750 Per:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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| **Chapter Learning Targets & Key terms to know** |
| **● To introduce students to the variety of empires of the early modern period** | **Columbian exchange** |
| **● To emphasize that empire building was not just a Western European phenomenon** | **Plantation complex** |
| **● To explore the range of colonial societies that evolved and the reasons for differences between them** | **Devshirme** |
| **● To emphasize the massive social reordering that attended European colonization in the Western Hemisphere** | **Mercantilism** |

1. What initiated early Western European Empires to expand? What role did geography play?
2. What was the Columbian Exchange?

Comparing Colonial Societies in the Americas

1. Explain the theory of mercantilism.
2. What was the economic foundation of colonial rule in Mexico and Peru? Who provided the labor?
3. What happened to Native Americans’ religious beliefs in Mesoamerica and Peru when confronted with Catholicism?
4. How did the plantation societies of Brazil and Caribbean differ from those of southern colonies in British North America? (Think economies, labor, and social standing.)

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| ***Brazil/Caribbean*** | ***British North America*** |
| *Sugar plantation economy* |  |
|  | *Slave labor/less harsh* |
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The Steppes and Siberia: The Making of a Russian Empire

1. How did the Russian Empire transform the life of its conquered people?
2. Compared to the Western Europeans, explain how the Russians acquired their empire.

Asian Empires

1. Chinese conquests, together with the expansion of the Russian Empire, transformed Central Asia. What was it like before and after?

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| ***Eurasia Before*** | ***After under Russian or Chinese Rule*** |
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1. How did Mughal attitudes and policies toward Hindus change from the time of Akbar to that of Aurangzeb?

• Akbar –

• Aurangzeb –

1. What was the century-long conflict between the Ottomans and the Safavids?
2. Explain the positives and negatives, for Christians, of Ottoman rule?
3. What was the outcome of the Ottoman Siege of Vienna in 1683?