Little England or Great Britain

Guided Reading Questions

1. In which centuries did Great Britain’s (G.B.) influence spread around the world?
2. What is meant by the David and Goliath effect?
3. What is a social compact?
4. How is it obtainedand what were the results
5. What do you think the phrase “Bloodless Revolution” means?
6. What were the causes that brought G.B. from a superpower to a welfare state?
7. How was G.B. insulated from the rest of Europe?
8. What 3 factors are a barrier to G.B. natural resources for providing for their own population?
9. Name the 4 nations that make up G.B. multinational population.
10. How did William the Conqueror, In 1066, give up some of his authority to parliament?
11. What was the result of this decision?
12. Which two social classes emerged from the Industrial Revolution?
13. Which party represented the working class and which the middle class merchants and businessmen?
14. Why were trade unions important to the Labour Party?
15. During WWII Winston Churchill gained support of parliament by calling for what type of government?
16. Under the Beveridge Report which social programs were created?
17. What does the term welfare state refer to?
18. Which party favored socialism and which market system?
19. What was the main cause of the economic crisis in the 1970’s?
20. What reasons did Margaret Thatcher “The Iron Lady” state were the reasons for G.B.’s economic problems?
21. Why did she resign after 11 years as prime minister?
22. What was Tony Blair’s Third Way? What did it get parliament to do?
23. When the term homogeneous is used what does that refer to?
24. Which minority group was at the center of riots in 2001?
25. Why does England have a disproportionate share of political power in G.B.?
26. What is self rule and why do you think Northern Ireland was not granted it?