

Challenges and Opportunities Test

Review your understanding of how trade, technology, security, and ethics have shaped the modern 21st-century world.

Part 1: Key Vocabulary

Match each term to its correct definition by writing the correct letter in the middle column.

Term	Answer	Definition
1. Information Age		a) Removing barriers like tariffs to make cross-border trade easier.
2. Globalization		b) The study of ethical issues arising from advances in biology and medicine.
3. Terrorism		c) A shift to an economy based on computers and modern technology.
4. Bioethics		d) The process where businesses develop international influence and operate on an international scale.
5. Trade Liberalization		e) Unlawful violence and intimidation against civilians for political aims.

Part 2: A Connected World

6. Which of the following is an example of an international organization created to manage global trade?

- a) NAFTA b) NATO c) NASA d) WHO

7. What became the primary "engine" of the global economy during the late 20th century?

- a) Coal mining b) Agriculture c) Technology d) Gold trading

8. Why do nations often disagree on environmental policies?

a) They want to ban all international trade.

b) It is hard to balance economic growth with conservation.

c) They disagree on which animals to protect.

d) Trade liberalization prevents conservation.

Part 3: Conflict, Ethics, and the Environment



9. As the world grew richer and more connected, what two major global threats resurged in the modern era?

- A) Economic depression and colonial expansion
- B) Religious conflicts and international terrorism
- C) Monarchical revolutions and feudal disputes
- D) Space exploration competition and trade embargoes



10. At the turn of the 21st century, Western leaders faced a difficult balancing act regarding counter-terrorism. What two things were they trying to balance?

- A) National security and individual civil liberties
- B) Environmental protection and space exploration
- C) Tax reductions and increased military spending
- D) Global trade and absolute isolationism