**A.P. World History: Modern Syllabus**

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AP Classroom Section Name: McGowan 2nd Hour

AP Classroom Join Code: 9YX642

***Exam Day: May 11th, 2023***

**Course Overview:**

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