

## Chat 1

Consider some of the following points that we might discuss in our scheduled chat.

1. Had you been at the peace conference following the fall of Napoleon, what would have argued for in trying to put Europe back together again following the long period of wars? What principles would you have followed? Why?
2. What do you consider to have been the “driving force” or “forces” of the industrial revolution? How do you see developments building on each other during the period we discussed that eventually produced the industrial age? What were some of the social consequences of the industrial revolution?
3. What do you see as the main issues in France during the period known as the Restoration? What progress, if any, do think was made? What political principles caused most disruption? What about developments in society? What were the main issues here (keep in mind economic developments as well)? How were they related to political developments, not only in France but elsewhere in Europe? Consider this issue when looking at the following questions.
4. How would you characterize the Restoration period outside of France? How would you compare the Restoration in the rest of Europe to what was occurring in France? Was it more repressive or more progressive?
5. What do you see as the main issues in the revolutions of the 1820s and 1830s? What do you think were the main implications of these revolutions at the time? Do you see any relevance for the modern world?
6. The 1830s and 1840s were the last chance Europe had to avoid the wave of revolutions that followed. Why were they not avoided? What were the social conditions like in Europe, and how do you think they contributed to revolutions?