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The Enlightenment period is known as the Age of light and refers to the belief that ideas of the past needed to be dissected to determine if they were still relevant and could still be applicable to that time period. three important takeaways from the Enlightenment are: it encouraged people to think about their relationships within their social classes, gender roles, and identity, the second takeaway is it inspired how trade and manufacturing should work, and the third is it allowed people to discover what role they should play in respect to their government.

These three takeaways ushered the way of change among dated beliefs and or principles of the time period; while birthing innovation and globalization of goods. These takeaways helped bring honesty and truth to the actual conditions of the world. This helped people of the time period realize that they weren't living in this perfect world and that innovation of principles can bring positive change. For example, the first takeaway I mentioned, is about people starting to think about their social class, gender roles, and identity, during the Enlightenment the principle of keeping women subservient and uneducated, started to be challenged and advocated for them to have a larger role in society started to happen. The second takeaway of manufacturing and trade; allowed for the spread of goods and texts during the enlightenment; which is very important as it allowed people of this era to experience culture from around the world, and gather

educational tools that would help cultivate new ideas and principles of this Era. The third takeaway of people finding their role in government, inspired the birth of reforms in society, like slavery for example; as a result, this put pressure on colonies to abolish slavery. This third takeaway advocated for concepts of human rights and freedoms.

To sum up, these three takeaways that I have identified paved the way for the formation of new beliefs and innovations that are still present today. The Enlightenment Era is a key milestone in our history as a world as it awakened a higher level of thinking and understanding of people all over the world; which in turn created a catalyst for new ideas and inventions.

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