

The 4-Hour Historian

CHAPTER 2 SELF-CHECK: ANSWER KEY

1. Supranationalism is a way of thinking that places some “greater good” above the nation. The prefix “supra-” in the world means “over and above,” as opposed to “super-,” which would mean a “a greater kind.” In Europe the “greater good” of supranationalism is Europe as a whole.
2. Rome preceded Europe. The Roman Catholic Church founded in Roman times continued despite the fall of the Roman Empire. Its leader, the pope, gave Charlemagne the title “Emperor *of the Romans*.” These all reflect the fact that early European history was *Rome-centric*.
3. The Frankish Empire was a charismatic monarchy. This means it was the product of the charisma of its leaders, especially Charlemagne. It didn’t last because charisma cannot be passed on from person to person. For a civilization to be stable, it must have a *system* of government that survives even if it doesn’t have great leaders.
4. Today’s European culture is centered on the relationship between France and Germany.
5. European History 1.0

