20th Century Context
1. Intellectual:

• A/ Theories of (Freud, Darwin, Einstein).

• B/ Five Determinisms:
  • *Physical (Newton---inertia & gravity).
  • *Historical (Hegel---Scripted parts in the progress of the world).
  • *Biological (Darwin---Natural forces; environment & heredity).
  • *Economic (Marx---influenced by economics & social class).
  • *Psychological (Freud---affected by parental & childhood experiences).
2. Religious:

• No faith.

• shaken in everything religious.

• absence of linking virtues.

• Influence of Relativity theory, Nietzsche.
3. Social:

- 2 world wars.
- Civil wars.
- Great Depression.
- Deaths & anxiety.
- Love of machines.
- Society is fragmented, social breakdown to unrelated pieces.
- Preference of countryside life.
4. Literary:

- Make it new.
- Experimentation in various forms, themes, techniques.
- Influence of literature and society is mutual.
- First time gigantic number of movements.