

## **Bloody Ivory Tower—Julia Topik**

### **Questions:**

- 1. Give evidence to support the fact, as Adam Hochschild said, Leopold could “... sieze anything in Africa, ... only if he convinced everyone that his interest was purely altruistic.”**
- 2. What is the connection between Leopold’s desire for control of the Congo and the Industrial revolution? How does it reflect the need for “raw materials”?**
- 3. How, and through what methods, did Leopold control the area of the Congo?**
- 4. What evidence is there in the reading that Leopold’s treatment of the natives in the Congo reflected the belief in Social Darwinism?**
- 5. What is the great irony when you compare Leopold’s control of the Congo versus his rationale and justification for being there in the first place.**