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## Voltaire's Adventures: Enlightenment and Wit

### Short Answer Key

1. Voltaire wrote extensively about freedom of speech, religious tolerance, and the separation of church and state. These topics were important because they challenged the injustices and inequalities of his era and advocated for a more enlightened society.
2. "Candide" uses satire to ridicule the optimism of the time and exposes the absurdity of human suffering. It criticizes the idea that all is for the best in the best of all possible worlds.

