Chapter 3 Visual Summary

Match the following.
1. Nomad
2. Monotheism
3. Islam
4. Shi’a
5. Ka’aba
6. Five Pillars

Almsgiving
Muslim
Oasis
Abraham
Sunni
Allah

Read pages 106 and summarize the highlights of Chapter 3.

Who Were the Umayyads?
The “rightly guided” caliphs lived simple lives and considered themselves equals of everyone else in the Muslim community. The Umayyads, on the other hand, adopted the model of kingship and surrounded themselves with luxury and the trappings of power. Many Muslims opposed this departure from the traditional Muslim model of leadership. They thought that it ignored important principles of Islam. However, the people who were conquered as the Muslim Empire expanded were accustomed to powerful monarchs, and the power and authority of the Umayyad caliphs helped to gain their support.

1. Why were many Muslims opposed to the leadership of the Umayyads?

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2. Why did many of conquer peoples accept their rule?

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