World History First Semester Final Study Guide

Chapter 2 Questions:

1. What happened to the republic after Julius Caesar's assassination?

2. How did Roman government change under Augustus?

3. Which architectural features are associated with ancient Rome?

4. What qualities were valued in Roman citizens?

5. An effect of the increasing ignorance of Roman citizens after the second century was

6. What is a major difference between the Roman Catholic and the Eastern Orthodox churches?

Chapter 3 Questions:

7. The geography of the Arabian Peninsula most likely led to

8. How did the geography of the Arabian Peninsula influence the lifestyle of the Bedouins?

9. According to Muslims, Muhammad founded Islam after he:

10. Like Jews and Christians, Muslims believe that:

11. What happened to Muhammad after he began preaching in Mecca?
12. What are the five pillars of Islam?
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13. By the time of his death in 632, Muhammad had used both diplomacy and military force to:
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14. Which source do Muslims consider to be infallible, or correct in all matters?
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15. What became part of a body of law and was used to decide legal matters?
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16. What is the term for the migration of Muhammad and his followers to the town of Yathrib?
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17. Which statement summarizes the common beliefs of Judaism, Christianity, and Islam?
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18. Why did the Shi’a refuse to accept the rule of the Umayyads?
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**Chapter 4 Questions:**

19. How did the Muslim treat conquered peoples in their empire?
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20. How did the use of Arabic unite the Muslim empires?
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21. Where did major trading cities develop on the Arabian Peninsula?
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22. Why did Muslims need to determine the location of Mecca from various points in the empire?
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23. Al-Khwarizimi’s study, entitled *Hisab al-jabr*, became the basis for what mathematical method.
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24. Why did Muslims not portray people in their art?
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25. How is the Muslim city of Córdoba described?

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Chapter 5 Questions:

26. Underlying the success of the West African economy was different people’s ability to do different jobs, which is known as:

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27. Who introduced Islam to West Africa?

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28. In which group was the number of West African converts to Islam greatest?

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29. How did Muslims influence West African culture?

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30. How did Arabic affect written communication among West Africans?

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31. How did an interest in Arabic increase learning in West Africa?

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32. Who fulfilled the role as historian for the West African societies?

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Chapter 7 Questions:

33. According to Confucius, relationships should be based on:

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34. What was the Silk Road?

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35. Name three inventions that are associated with the Tang and Song periods in China?

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36. What is porcelain? Why did people desire porcelain?

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37. How did the Song increase participation in the government by citizens from different classes?

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38. Why did trade between China and many countries in Europe and Asia increase during the Mongol Ascendancy?

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39. Which beverage originated in China and became popular first in Europe and then throughout the world?

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40. What Chinese invention had a major impact on later global exploration?

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Essay Question:

During the First Semester we have studied about the following empires: Roman, Byzantine, Muslim, West African and Chinese. Think about the legacy of each empire and describe at least one benefit (for example: laws, government, entertainment, education, invention, or religion) from each that influences our world today.

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