

World History  
Unit 1 Assessment

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Underline the correct answer.

1. What products imported from the East, were the most attractive for Europeans?
  - a) Spices and silk.
  - b) Powder and wool.
  - c) Firearms and spices.
  
2. Which were the monarchies seeking new routes to the East?
  - a) England and Spain.
  - b) Portugal and France.
  - c) Spain and Portugal.
  
3. Why did it change the way trade was organized in the mid-fifteenth century?
  - a) Because Europeans began to produce their own spices.
  - b) Because Europe lost control of the area of trade with the East.
  - c) For the Genoese and Venetian merchants preferred to trade with European products.

4. Match the columns:

a. They expelled the Arabs from their territories in 1492		Genoese and Venetian
b. They introduced European products from the East.		Kingdoms of Aragon and Castile
c. The reason for the voyages of exploration was:		It generated a large trade that led to commercial capitalism.
d. The importance of spices was that:		They preserved food such as meat.
e. The exchange between Europe and Asia was very important because:		Reaching the production centers of objects.

5. During the thirteenth century, who was more developed, Europe or East?

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6. On a map draw the silk and spices routes, and mark with an asterisk the city of Constantinople.

Answers may vary.



7. Was there trade in Europe in the fifteenth century, between different realms, besides being made with the East?

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8. Locate on the map Venice and Genoa and answer why you think these cities were responsible for introducing goods from East Europe?

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9. What do you think is the difference between an event and a historical process?

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10. Trace on the map (6) Spain and Portugal and answer why you think these countries boosted more than France or Germany navigation.

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11. Where were the Genoese and Venetian collected the goods from the East?

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12. Investigate and write the meaning of bourgeoisie.

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13. Investigate and write the meaning of capitalism.

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14. Do you think it is possible to have a historical process without important events?

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15. Why?

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1. A
2. C
3. B
4. A.2 B.1 C.5 D.4 E.3
5. East
6. MAP
7. Yes, Italian and Northern Europe
8. Because they were in the Mediterranean and its geographical situation gave them greater access to the contact point with the East.
9. The event takes place at a specific time and place, while the process can be of different length and space.
10. Because they were near the Atlantic and the Mediterranean.
11. In the Constantinople area.
12. Social class that was born in the Middle Ages and it was made for especially merchants, craftsmen and free people who were not subject of the feudal lords. Since the nineteenth century, it appoints the social group comprised of people of affluent middle class.
13. Economic system based on the dominance of capital as an element of production and creator of wealth.
14. No, it is not.
15. The whole process is made up of many different events.

