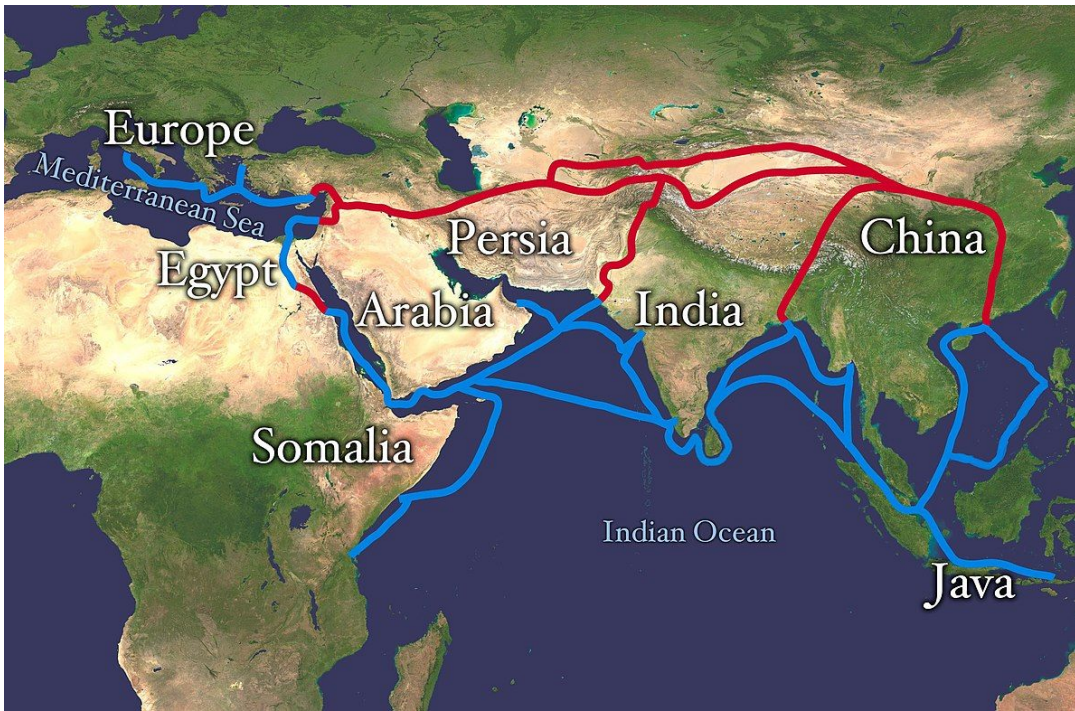


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- Answer the following question in your notebook:
 - How does culture, technology, and ideas spread during the middle ages?



Schedule

Objective: I can describe how the technological advances of the Chinese Empires affected the world.

- Silk Road Notes
- The Silk Road Reading

The Silk Road



The Movement of Goods and Ideas

mapping the silk road



Trace the Silk Road on your map

Stability Brings Trade



- Classical civilizations become stable
- Governments in China, India, and the Mediterranean provide order and safety
- Stability allowed traders and travelers to move safely between regions

Trade Routes Develop

- Several of these connected trade networks became known as the Silk Road
- It started in eastern China and traveled all the way to Greece and Rome – over 4,000 miles

Why Silk?



- Silk was a luxurious fabric spun from cocoons of worms
- The process for making silk was a closely guarded Chinese secret

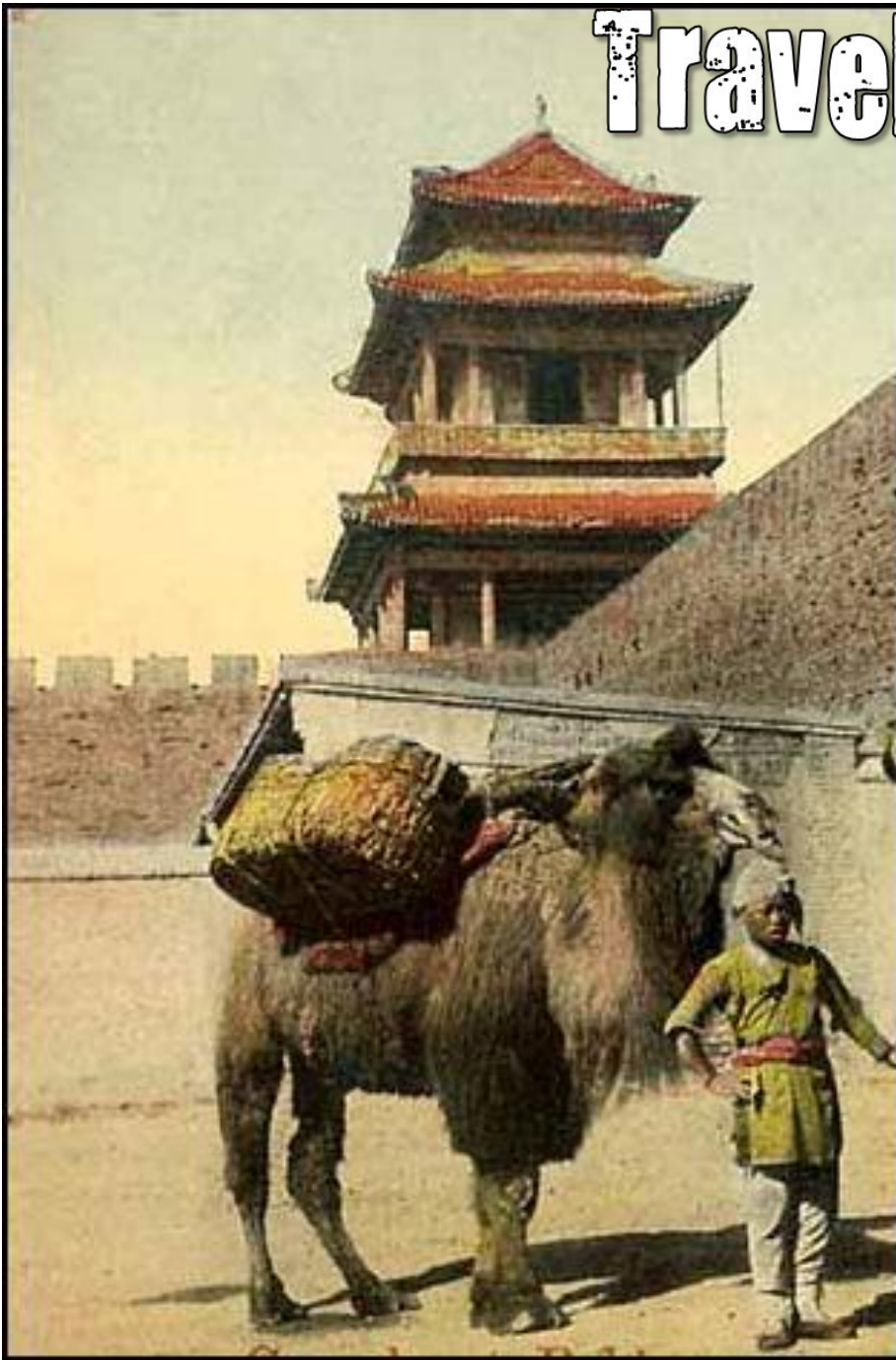


Other Goods Traded

- Spices, jade and porcelain goods from the East went west to Europe
- Olive oil, wine, cloth, horses, & foods went from the West toward China
- Precious metals, ivory, timber, tortoise shells, also crossed the many routes

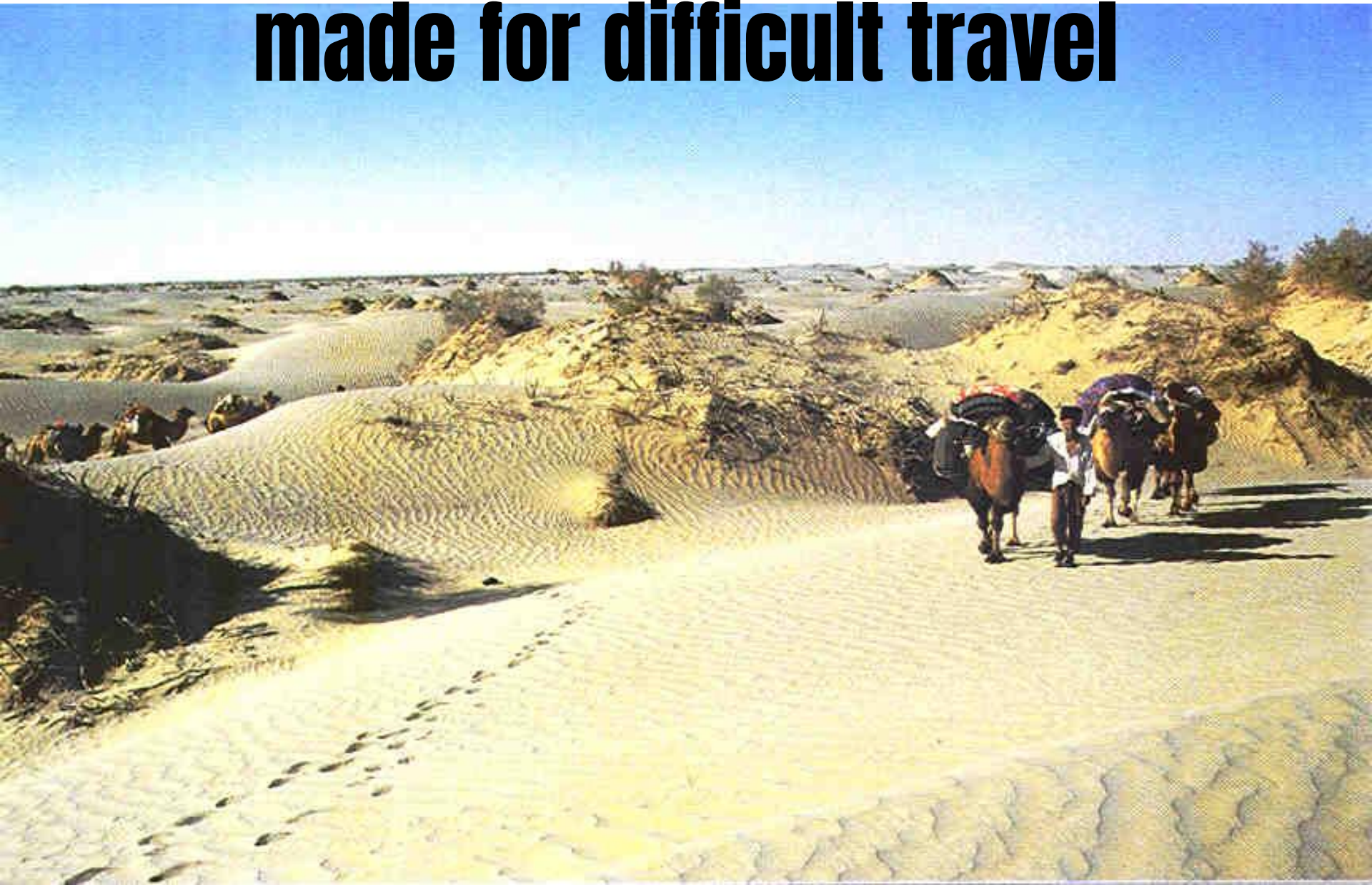


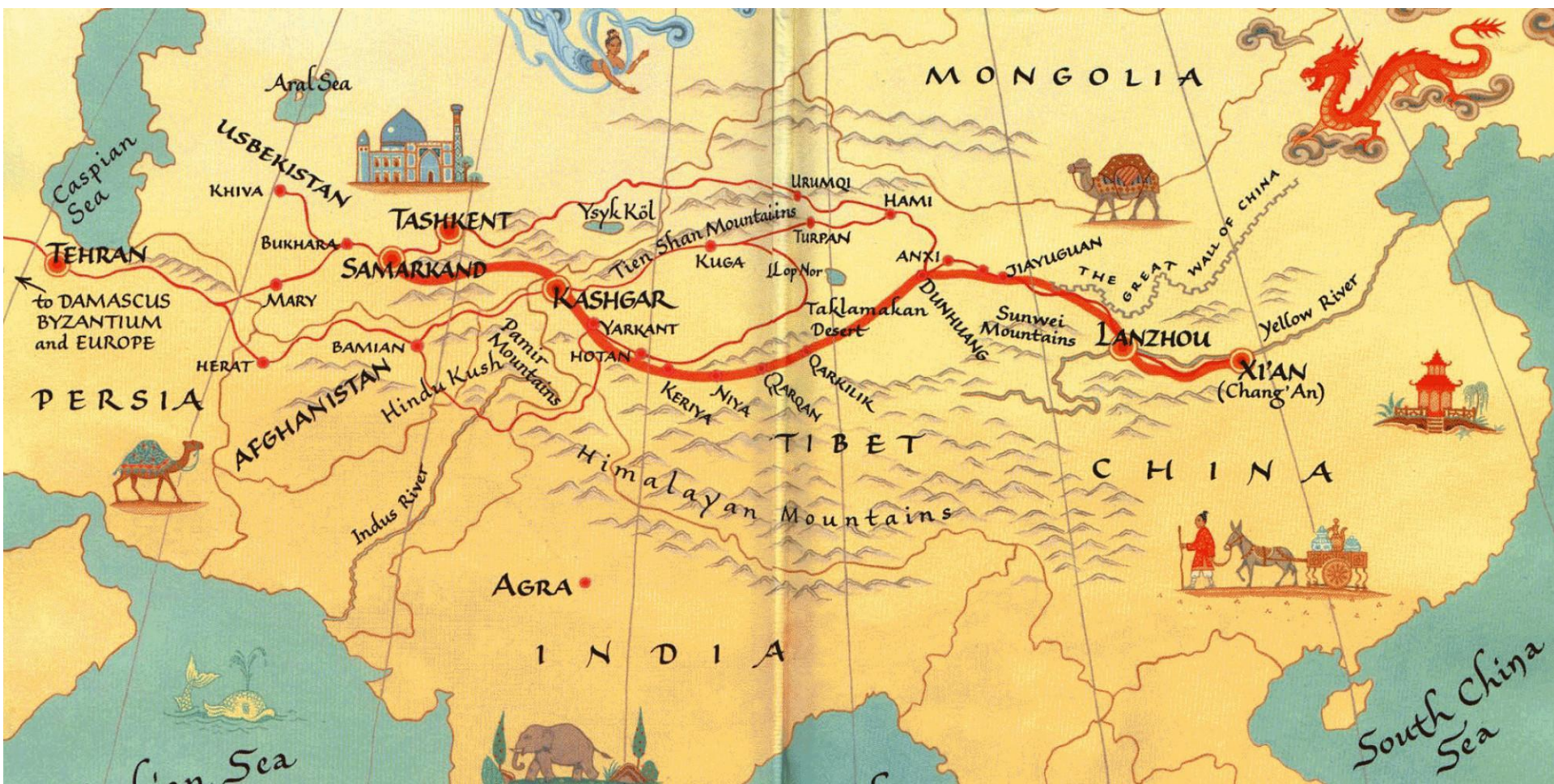
Travelling the Silk Road



- Merchants often just traveled along small portions
- Deserts, mountains, weather, & bandits made routes very dangerous

The desert and mountainous terrain made for difficult travel





Caspian Sea

Aral Sea

MONGOLIA

USBEKISTAN

KHIVA

BUKHARA

TASHKENT

SAMARKAND

Ysyk Kól

Tien Shan Mountains

KUGA

Lop Nor

TURPAN

HAMI

ANXI

JIAYUGUAN



DUNHUANG

Sunwei Mountains

LANZHOU

XI'AN (Chang'an)

Yellow River



to DAMASCUS
BYZANTIUM
and EUROPE

PERSIA

HERAT

AFGHANISTAN

BAMIAN

Hindu Kush
Pamir Mountains

KASHGAR

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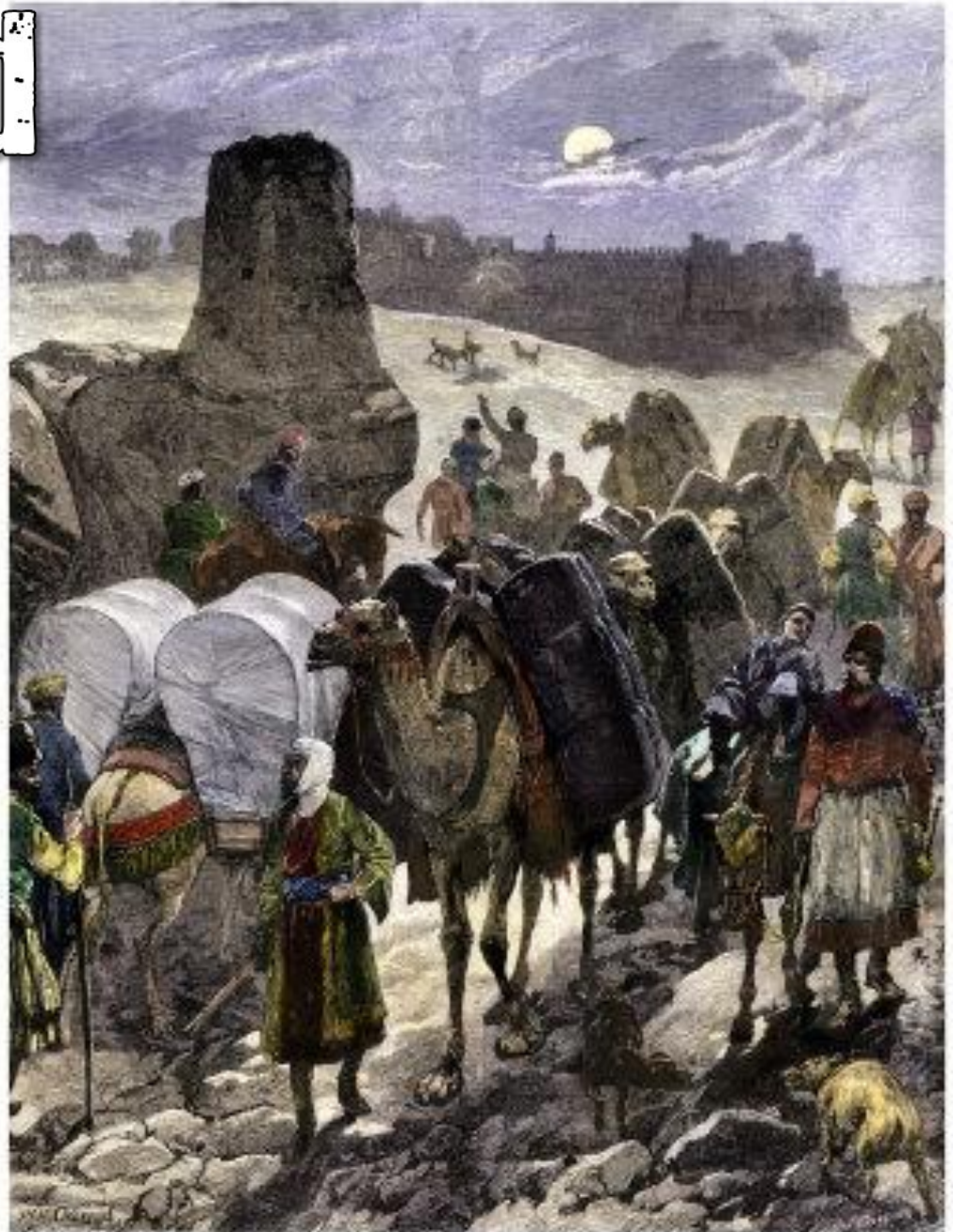
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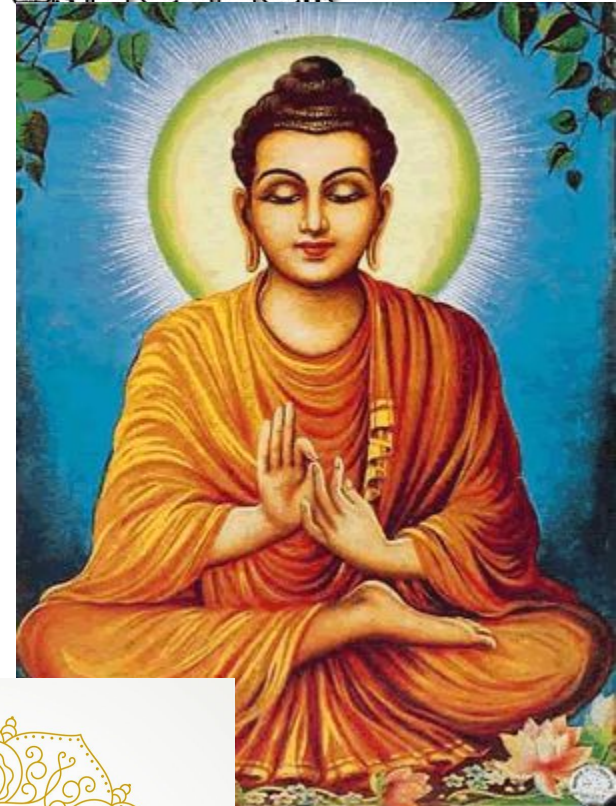
Ideas Spread

- Cultural traits, religious beliefs, and ideas are shared when merchants interact with one another



Contributions from India

- Buddhism spreads to the rest of Asia
- The concept of “0” and the decimal system
- Hinduism spreads through India

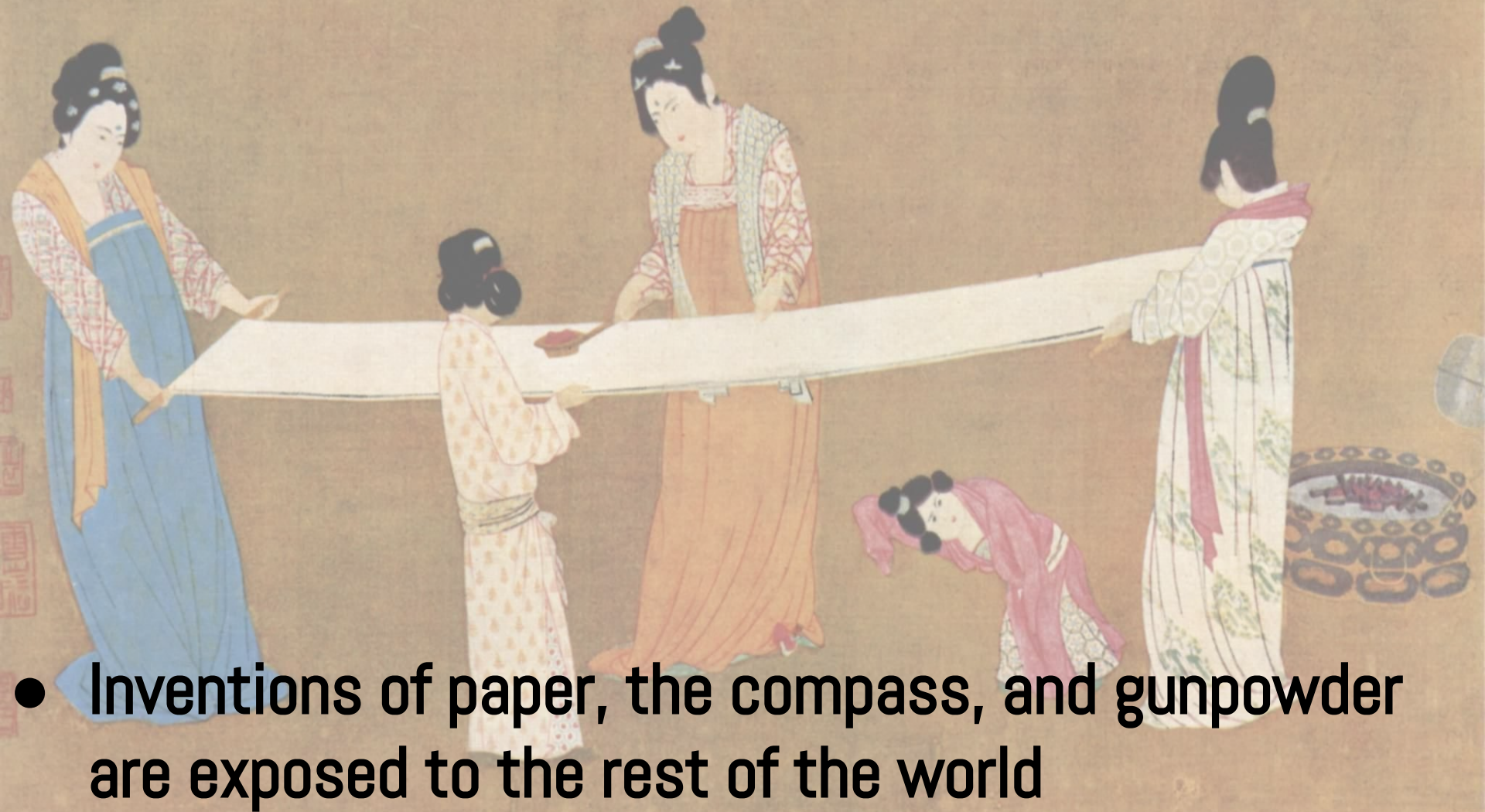


Middle Eastern Contributions

- Advanced medicine and new surgery techniques were spread
- They added contributions to advanced Algebra



Chinese Contributions



- Inventions of paper, the compass, and gunpowder are exposed to the rest of the world

Impact of the Silk Road

- Millions of lives were changed by the exchange of ideas and new goods
- Science, religion, and culture spread
- However, the bubonic plague would later spread from China to Europe



**How does the Silk Road change
peoples lives?**





The Silk Road

- When I tell you to, log onto Google Classroom
- Open “The Silk Road” assignment
- Read the article and answer the questions at the end
- Turn in when finished

