The Ottoman Empire

1/8 – POLITICS	2/8 - POLITICS	3/8 – POLITICS AND ECONOMICS	
The Ottoman Empire existed from	Define "ghazi."	In what year did the Ottomans conquer Constantinople?	
Which empire did the Ottomans replace as the most powerful empire in the Mediterranean?	Synthesize: a ghazi is similar to what other person?	What did they rename it? What does that mean?	
List 4 aspects that allowed for their success. •	What was the Ottoman's military success based on?	What were the economic benefits for the Ottomans to have that capital?	
•	How did this innovation help?		
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8/8 – POLITICS AND RELIGION	as a comment of the same of th	4/8 – POLITICS AND RELIGION	
What problems might conquered people present for an emperor?		What was the millet system ?	
How might people of various religions and customs coexist without giving up their way of life?		The devshirme system? How did Mehmet treat other faiths? What was the reason for this?	
7/8 – RELIGION	6/8 – RELIGION	5/8 – POLITICS AND RELIGION	
Sketch the Suleymaniye Mosque ©	Who is the Suleymaniye Mosque named for? How was it different than the Haiga Sophia ?	What are janissaries ? What were the janissaries' first recruits like? How did the janissary influence change over time?	

The Safavid Empire

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What is the dominate form of Islam in the Safavid Empire?	3/8 – CULTURE Go back to the BBC site from part 2, and read through the section "art and culture." What was one aim of commissioning the art?	
What steps did the Safavid take to convert people to this religion?		
How were people of other faiths treated early on in the Safavid Empire? Why do you think that is?	What themes do Safavid artists highlight in the art (read the titles and snippets of each piece!)?	
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6/8 – POLITICS AND ECONOMICS How did Shah Abbas reform the military of the Safavid Empire?	5/8 – POLITICS AND RELIGION How were the Safavids <i>similar</i> to the Ottomans?	
What's a Ghulam ?	How are they different?	
	What religious difference made them bitter rivals?	
How did Shah Abbas foster trade?	What did this conflict lead to?	
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The Mughal Empire

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1/8 – RELIGION AND POLITICS	2/8 – POLITICS AND CULTURE	3/8 – POLITICS AND RELIGION
Although the Mughals were Muslim, what was the religious majority in India when they took over?	Babur is a descendant of what important leader?	Describe 3 things Akbar did to win over Hindus.
What are 3 important changes in India under Mughal rule?	The Mughal Empire was a mix of what three different cultures?	•
•	What are some of the cultural and religious legacies of his rule in India?	"God-ism" is a blend of what religions? Why do you think he tried to create a new religion?
•		How did his grandson Aurangzeb reverse Akbar's policies?
8/8 – POLITICS What factors contributed to the weakening of the Mughal	as The	4/8 – CULTURE Who is present in the Mughal Miniature?
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How did the British East India Company gain control over India?		
What's the British Raj ?	Jan	Why is it mutually beneficial for princes to visit with various holy men?
Bonus © sketch the Taj Mahal	6/8 – CULTURE Why was the Taj Mahal built?	5/8 – POLITICS AND CULTURE *Go back to the BBC website and read through
		Jahangir's and Jahan's sections*
	List 3 interesting facts about its construction.	Urdu is a mix of what two languages?
	•	Why did Jahangir create a new language?
	•	What does Jahan's Taj Mahal symbolize for the Mughal Empire?

The Ming and Qing Dynasties

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1/8 – POLITICS	2/8 – ECONOMICS	3/8 – CULTURE
The Ming gained control of China by overthrowing the Yuan Dynasty, which was ruled by what group of people?	What are the advantages of paper currency?	List four cultural achievements of the Ming Dynasty
What aspects of Confucian rule did the Ming reinstate to legitimize their rule?	What were the Ming trying to accomplish by attaching a certain amount of copper (and later, silver) to the value of the currency? What was the downside of this plan?	•
8/8 – POLITICS		4/8 – CULTURE
We will talk about this more before spring break, but there was conflict between what two groups of people who had different plans for China?	of response	In what regions was Chinese porcelain in high demand?
What did Empress Cixi build? (Google it!)	Signal &	What were common Chinese motifs in the porcelain?
What four wars brought about the downfall of the Qing, the last Chinese dynasty?		What other culture inspired the artwork on the Chinese porcelain?
		Sketch the jug→
7/8 – POLITICS What people group established the Ming Dynasty?	6/8 – POLITICS Sketch the Forbidden City – (looking at this in 2D and zooming out might be easiest)	5/8 – POLITICS What was the purpose of the Forbidden City?
From where did they come? (Sound like anyone else?)		Why were there so many gates and buildings?
What methods did the Manchus use to ensure their power?		
		What was life like for the emperor and women of the court?
What developments occurred under Qianlong 's reign?		

The Russian Empire

1/7 – POLITICS	2/7 – CULTURE	3/7 – POLITICS AND CULTURE
After a group of Russian princes drove out the Mongols, who became the first czar of Russia?	St. Basil's Cathedral was commissioned by Ivan IV. Sketch your favorite dome. If you aren't coloring it, label the colors.	What <i>positive</i> changes took place in Russia under Ivan IV?
		What negative changes occurred under his rule?
How did he get his name?		
		What did Michael Romanov bring to Russia?
	What is the color of the square nearby (zoom out if you need to)?	
Bonus © Sketch the coin used as proof of paying the Beard Tax.	Constant of the state of the st	4/7 – ENVIRONMENT AND ECONOMICS Describe the physical and human geography of Russia.
	Sylvania Sylvania	What was life like for serfs? What was their role in the Russian economy?
7/7 – CULTURE How did Peter encourage people to behave like modern Europeans?	6/7 – POLITICS Given what you know about Peter the Great's interests and vision for Russia, what do you suppose is the purpose of the fortress?	5/7 – POLITICS How did Peter I modernize Russia?
What was the significance of the Beard Tax?		What problems did he face?
Why were some of these changes impractical?	Zoom out so that you can see all of St. Petersburg. Why do you think Peter chose this location for his new capital?	What actions did he take to address these issues?