

Unit 2- Networks of Exchange

Topic 2.7 - Comparison of Economic Exchange

Focus of Unit

From your studies in this unit, students should be able to develop an argument that compares the similarities and differences in networks of exchange between c. 1200 to c. 1450

Essential Question: *Develop an argument that compares the similarities and differences between at least two of the trade networks of exchange between c. 1200 and c. 1450.*

Learning Objective(s)

Historical Developments (KC's) Notes on Historical Developments (KC)

Explain the similarities and differences among the various networks of exchange in the period from c. 1200 to c. 1450.

Review topics 2.1 thru 2.6 for evidence to answer the essential questions

KC 3.1 - A deepening and widening of networks of human interaction within and across regions contributed to cultural, technological, and biological diffusion within and between various societies.

KC 3.1.I.A.i - Improved commercial practices led to an increased volume of trade and expanded the geographical range of existing trade routes—including the Silk Roads—promoting the growth of powerful new trading cities.

KC 3.1.I.C.i - The growth of interregional trade in luxury goods was encouraged by innovations in previously existing transportation and commercial technologies, including the caravanserai, forms of credit, and the development of money economies.

KC 3.3 - Changes in trade networks resulted from and stimulated increasing productive capacity, with important implications for social and gender structures and environmental processes.

KC 3.3.I.B - Demand for luxury goods increased in Afro-Eurasia. Chinese, Persian, and Indian artisans and merchants expanded their production of textiles and porcelains for export; manufacture of iron and steel expanded in China.

Create a graphic organizer to respond to the writing prompt: