Chapter 6

VOCABULARY ACTIVITY

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In the space provided, write the word or phrase next to its definition. Choose your answers from the list below. Some answers will not be used.

nirvana
wnwe
ndharma
bhakii

autocracy
Upanishads
ahimsa
Four Noble Truths

leveling
Five Classics
jai
karma

1. Subgroups of the Indo-Aryan varna system
2. Perfect peace that frees the soul from reincarnation
3. Complete love for and devotion to god
4. Government policy of buying and storing surplus crops to provide for years of poor harvest
5. Chinese principle of nonaction
6. Written philosophical dialogues of the Vedanta school of thought
7. Moral duty that people must fulfill during each cycle of reincarnation
8. Center of the Buddha’s teachings and beliefs
9. Political system in which the emperor holds all power
10. Moral consequences of one’s actions in life.

Define the following words or terms.

11. suttee
12. yin and yang
13. mandarins
14. acupuncture
15. civil service

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Analyzing a Primary Source

The passage below is attributed to the Chinese philosopher Laozi. Read the passage, and answer the questions that follow.

Rulers

"Of the best rulers
The people (only) know that they exist;
The next best they love and praise;
The next they fear;
And the next they revile.
When they do not command the people's faith,
Some will lose faith in them,
And then they will resort to oaths!
But (of the best) when their task is accomplished, their work done,
The people all remark, "We have done it ourselves."

1. According to this passage, which rulers are the worst?

2. According to this passage, how do the best rulers govern?

3. Why might people "love and praise" the second-best rulers?

4. How would Legalists view the ideas expressed in this passage?
Chapter 10

Vocabulary Activity

The Islamic World

In the space provided, write the word or phrase next to its definition. Choose your answers from the list below. Some answers will not be used.

- bedouins
- Five Pillars of Islam
- ghazis
- imam
- astrolabe
- jihad
- Mecca
- Sunnis
- Qur'an
- shari'ah
- sheikhs
- hijrah

1. Holy book of Islam
2. Nomadic herders who lived in tents and moved from place to place with their animals
3. Muhammad's journey to Yathrib, which later became known as Medina
4. Major sect of Islam today with a name that means "way of the Prophet"
5. Most important duties expected of Muslims
6. Navigational tool that had been invented by the Greeks and improved by Muslim scientists
7. Turkish "warriors for the faith"
8. Shi'ah term for a successor of 'Ali
9. Islamic legal system that guided personal conduct
10. City to which Muslims are expected to make a pilgrimage if at all possible

Define the following words or terms:

11. Sufism
12. caliph
13. hajj
14. mamluks
15. sultan
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Interpreting a Map

Descriptions of places associated with the Muslim world are listed below. In the space provided, write the description of the place named or the name of the place being described, as well as its number on the map. Refer to Chapter 10 in your textbook for background information.

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