

Reading Guide – Chapter 5, Lesson 3
The Mauryan and Gupta Empires of Classical India

As you read chapter 5, lesson 3 answer the following questions completely and thoroughly.

1. Who was the founder of the Mauryan Empire? _____.
2. Who was the greatest ruler in the history of India? _____.

Why?

- a.
- b.
- c.

3. Who was the founder of the Gupta Empire? _____.
4. Why did the Gupta Empire fall?
5. List Gupta accomplishments:
 - a.
 - b.
 - c.

Discussion Questions:

1. How was Classical India connected to the Roman Empire and Han Dynasty in China?
2. What is the similarity in the downfall of the Roman Empire and the Gupta Empire?
3. Which accomplishment of the Gupta empire was the most important and why?
4. Look at the Sanchi stupa on page 121, which Roman invention is used in this structure, and how do you think the ancient Gupta's might have found out about this invention?

**Reading Guide – Chapter 6, Lesson 3
The Han Dynasty**

As you read chapter 6, lesson 3 answer the following questions thoroughly and completely.

1. What policies of the Qin dynasty did the Han abandon and keep?
 - a. Abandon
 - i.
 - ii.
 - b. Keep
 - i.
 - ii.

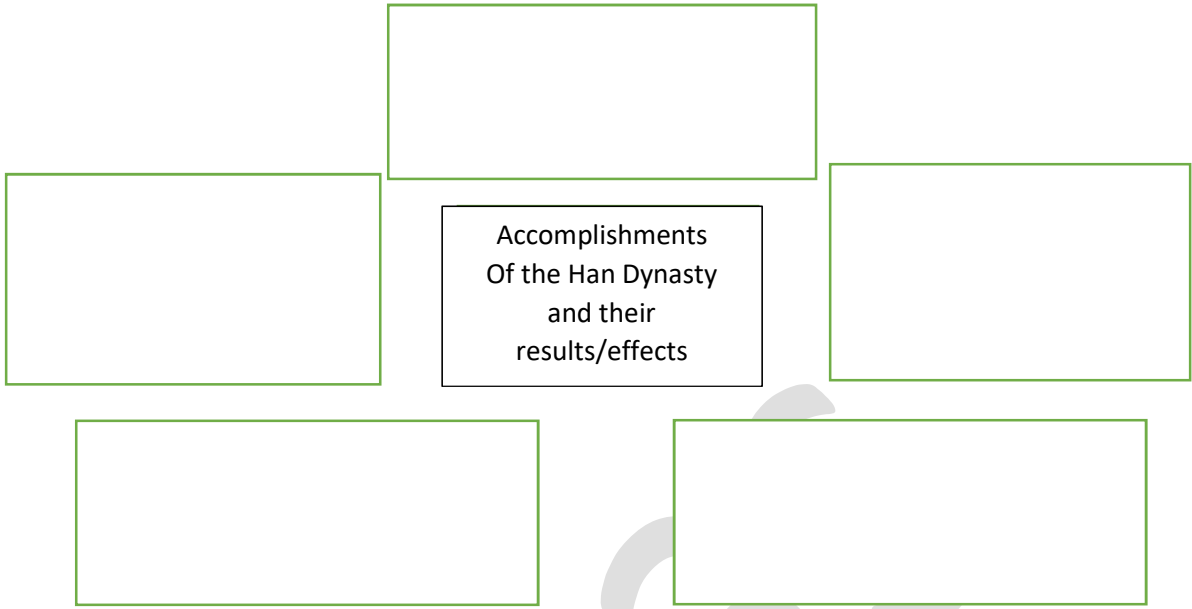
2. Who was the Martial Emperor? _____ . What was his accomplishments?

Discussion Questions:

3. How was the plight of the farmers similar to Rome?

4. How is the downfall of the Han empire similar to the downfall of the Roman Empire?

5. Why do you think the Chinese people might not consider themselves as the people of Qin but rather the people of Han?



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