The Renaissance

Chapter Two – The Expansion of Trade

Define the Following Terms

The Silk Road

The Crusades

City-States

Hinterland

Monarchies

Commerce

Usury

Republic

The Rise of international Trade p.40

1. Who is Marco Polo and what is he famous for?

The Crusades and Trade p. 41-43

1. What were the two important results of the Crusades for Europeans?
2. What luxury goods became available in Europe after the Crusades?
3. What was the most sought after and valuable trade goods? Why do you think this is the case?

Zoom In > The Crusades p. 41

1. What connections can you make between the Crusades and what you read in Chapter 1 about the importance of religion in the world view of medieval Europe?

1. Look at the map of the Crusades and the map on page 40. What conclusions can you draw about the Crusades that might have affected trade between Europe and the East?