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World Civilization I

Week 12 Film

1. What were the failures and successes of the Mongols?

The Mongolian Empire benefited from both positive and detrimental influences. Even though they may not have generated much art or literature, the Mongols valued and encouraged the local craftspeople. In order to promote trade, they also provided merchants with protection. For the first time, trade was established between Europe and Asia. Additionally, there was religious tolerance; the Mongols permitted the free exercise of the faith of the people they had subjugated. The Mongols' shortcomings included the number of lives lost and the destruction of homes as they conquered a region. From his conquests, Genghis Khan was unable to forge even a single political entity. Due to the Mongols' introduction of a trade route from Asia to Europe, the Black Death may also be their fault.

2. What is one interesting thing/new about the Mongols?

How nomadic people like the Mongols, who were the biggest, could at one point conquer and govern over a vast area of land was one of the fascinating new things that captivated me. It's also interesting to note that they had a hand in founding countries like Russia and Korea.