

“The Backstory”

Magazine 7 Topic 1

Based on the content of the lesson, answer this worksheet following every item's instructions.

I. True or False: Write T or F based on each sentence or proposal.

1. _____ European explorers were willing to risk everything.
2. _____ In 1543, however, the Ottoman Empire stopped all trade with the West.
3. _____ Many Europeans also wanted to spread Christianity.
4. _____ Hernán Cortés the navigator was a Portuguese prince.
5. _____ Conflicts between Christians and Muslims erupted during the Middle Ages.
6. _____ The Silk Road was a collection of trade routes that linked the markets of Europe and America.

II. Fill in the Blanks: Complete each sentence with the correct word(s) or phrase.

India

Central and South America

World

Astrolabe

Trade

Muslim leaders

Marco Polo

7. Prince Henry also hired scientists to improve the compass and the _____.
8. King John II of Portugal sent explorers to find sea routes to _____.
9. _____ with Asia was important to Europe's economy.
10. One of the most famous travelers of the Silk Road was Italian merchant _____.
11. Trade and travel over hundreds of years had provided Europeans with some information about the rest of the _____.
12. Henry did not want to have to rely on trade routes controlled by _____ and others.