

Gap-Fill Activity

Read the following extract from the Silk Road text and complete the missing words. Use the comparative or superlative form of the word in brackets.

By the 16th century, the Silk Road had all but disappeared. One of the _____ (*big*) reasons being that _____ (*good*) trade routes were gradually replacing the Silk Road. Namely, Arab controlled sea routes became _____ (*attractive*) to traders. This is because it had become _____ (*cheap*), _____ (*quick*) and _____ (*safe*) to move goods by sea than over land. For example, ships had a _____ (*large*) capacity than caravans so merchants could move _____ (*great*) quantities of goods. Also, ships had become _____ (*strong*) and _____ (*reliable*), which made them _____ (*good*) for transporting delicate goods like pottery and art.