

The Mongols: A Webquest <http://afe.easia.columbia.edu/mongols/>

Part I: Map Click on Mongols in World History. Use the maps provided to help you color and label the map. http://afe.easia.columbia.edu/mongols/pop/maps/images_maps.htm

1. Click on the map of the “Mongol Empire at the Death of Genghis Khan”.
 - a. Label the following:

Black Sea	Russia
Gobi Desert	China
Karakorum (city)	Japan
Persia	Korea
 - b. SHADE Genghis’s homeland (in modern Mongolia) in ORANGE
2. Click on the map of the “Mongol Empire in Four Sectors”. Label and SHADE each of the four Khanates (regions) of the Mongol Empire at its largest in the following colors:

Ilkhanate – GREEN
Golden Horde – YELLOW
Chaghadai Khanate – BLUE
Empire of the Great Khan – PURPLE



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Part II: Chingis (Genghis) Khan

<http://afe.easia.columbia.edu/mongols/figures/figures.htm>

Answer the questions below:

3. What happened to Temujin (Genghis Khan) when he was 9 years old?
4. How did Temujin rise to power to be the sole ruler of the Mongols clans?
5. Describe Chingis (Genghis) Khan as a leader.
6. What were some of Chingis Khan's major achievements?
7. **Click on "Kubilai Khan" on the side bar.** Who is Kubilai Khan?
8. What did Kubilai Khan achieve that Genghis was unable to?
9. **Click on "The Mongols in China: Kubilai Khan in China."** How did Kubilai Khan feel towards the Chinese way of life?
10. **Go back to the main page for Kubilai Khan.** Click on "The Mongols in China: Military Successes and Failures." What does "kamikaze" mean? How did it put an end to Kubilai Khan's ambitions?

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Part IV: The Pax Mongolica Go to The Mongols in World History.

<http://afe.easia.columbia.edu/mongols/> Click the “The Mongols’ Mark on Global History,” then on “Pax Mongolica” in the side bar menu.

11. What was the “Pax Mongolica”?

12. How did the Pax Mongolica benefit the spread of goods and ideas through trade?

Go to The Legacy of Genghis Khan

http://www.metmuseum.org/toah/hd/khan1/hd_khan1.htm

13. List at least 4 ways Genghis Khan shaped his empire.

- a.
- b.
- c.
- d.

14. What was the result of the political unification of Asia under the Mongols?

Go to <http://www.freeman-pedia.com/mongols/>

15. Watch Clip Two: Genghis Khan Intro. Summarize what you see. Does this video confirm what you already know about the Mongols or is there new information?

16. Watch Clip Three: The Trial Of Genghis Khan. Fill out the T-Chart below.

Good things about Genghis Khan	Bad things about Genghis Khan

Part V: Primary Source Reading

Read: “What was the Mongol Leader, Chinggis Great Khan, Really Like? Depends on Whom You Ask!” Handout (Highlight and Mark up the Text) answer the following questions about the reading.

1. What characteristics of Genghis shown by the documents would have been particularly helpful to him in his **military** conquests? Choose three characteristics and explain why?
2. What characteristics of Genghis shown by the documents would have been particularly helpful to him in **governing** his empire? Choose three characteristics and explain why?
3. How would you explain variations in the descriptions of what Genghis was like? Which of the accounts above do you consider most reliable, and why?
4. Would you agree with Genghis’s idea that severity (harshness) is good, because it leads to stable government? Why or why not? Did the idea apply more in Genghis’s time and place than today? Why or why not?
5. Of all the ways Genghis Khan affected history, both good and bad, which do you think was the most significant, and why?

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Part VI: Evaluation

Now that you have learned more about the Mongols, write a paragraph **(4-6 sentences with strong supporting facts!)** below to answer the following questions. Support your argument with specific facts you have learned. You may use a separate piece of paper if you wish.

- 1) What were some of the contributions of the Mongols to World History? Should the Mongols be remembered as barbarians or as one of the greatest civilizations to arise out of Asia?

- 2) Was Genghis Khan a great ruler or a cruel tyrant? (Pick one side) How should history remember Genghis Khan and what should his legacy be?