Chinggis Khan  Khubilai Khan  Lamaist Buddhism  Karakorum  Sultan Mehmed II

1. At its height, the Mongol empire encompassed the largest contiguous empire in known history. However, in contrast to other great empires it was relatively short-lived. Identify the factors that contributed to their early success and examine the causes of their decline. Analyze the legacy of the Mongol period on its conquered regions.

2. Examine the rise of the Ottoman Turks. How did they benefit from other conquerors who came before them? Analyze the significance of Constantinople to the success of the Ottomans.

3. Explain the relationship between each of the following pairs. How does one lead to or foster the other? Be specific in your response.
   a. Golden Horde & Khubilai Khan
   b. Bubonic Plague & Yuan Dynasty
   c. Tamerlane & Ottomans