

AP World History  
Period 6 Tang and Song Stimulus Questions



1. What is the only ocean that the Tang dynasty bordered?
  - a. Pacific
  - b. Atlantic
  - c. Indian
  - d. Artic
2. Which Emperor expanded China's borders dramatically?
  - a. Li Yuan
  - b. Yang Jian
  - c. Wendi
  - d. Yangdi
3. How did the first Tang emperor ascend the throne?
  - a. Nomadic armies conquering China
  - b. Assassinating The Sui emperor
  - c. Conquering warring states
  - d. It always existed
4. Who was the first Emperor in the Tang dynasty?
  - a. Yangdi
  - b. Wu
  - c. Li Yuan
  - d. Wuzong

## Excerpts from Emperor Taizong on Effective Government Establishing Relatives

The country is huge and the responsibility for it is heavy. A huge country cannot be evenly governed by the emperor alone; the responsibility is too great for one man. Thus, the emperor should enfeoff relatives to guard the outlying prefectures. Whether the country is at peace or in danger, they cooperate; whether the country is thriving or declining, they work together with one heart. Both distant and close relations are supported and employed; encroachment and rebellion are prevented.

1. What solution does the emperor propose for the issue of governing such a large territory?
  - a. Forcing people to comply
  - b. Divide governing responsibility between relatives
  - c. Taking control of separate territories
  - d. Giving land away
2. What is a possible weakness with this plan?
  - a. Not enough control
  - b. Too much government
  - c. The dynasty is too stable
  - d. Relatives may not cooperate
3. How did Taizong become emperor?
  - a. He conquered the previous dynasty and took over
  - b. He was elected by the population of the dynasty
  - c. He murdered his siblings and father and took power
  - d. The role was passed on to him by his father
4. When did the Tang Dynasty begin?
  - a. 614
  - b. 617
  - c. 618
  - d. 623

## Song Dynasty Stimulus

Historic Image from Song Dynasty

[http://www.metmuseum.org/toah/hd/nsong/ho\\_1996.479.htm](http://www.metmuseum.org/toah/hd/nsong/ho_1996.479.htm)

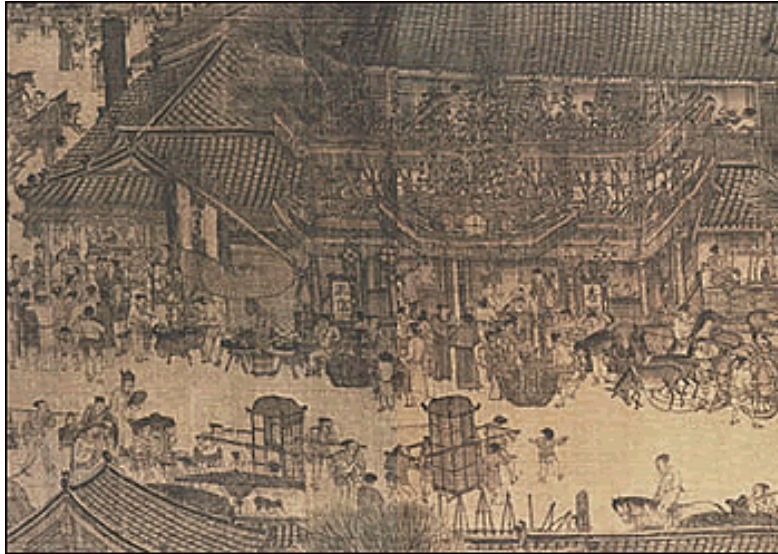


“The Classic of Filial Piety, a text composed between 350 and 200 B.C., teaches a simple but all-embracing lesson: beginning humbly at home, filial piety not only ensures success in a man’s life but also brings peace and harmony to the world at large” (Columbia University)

1. Which kind of religion is being depicted above?
  - a. Confucianism
  - b. Daoism
  - c. Legalism
  - d. Buddhism
2. Which of these are practiced in the religion depicted above?
  - a. Human Sacrifice
  - b. The *dharma*
  - c. Familial Relationships
  - d. Government Hierarchy
3. Why would this religion be present during this time?
  - a. The Song Dynasty wanted to influence this religion to other regions.
  - b. The Song Dynasty focused more on the arts and religion.
  - c. The Song Dynasty needed a religion to help control the empire.
  - d. The Song Dynasty was accepting and open towards any new religion entering China.
4. Who founded this religion and who helped promote it during the Song Dynasty?
  - a. Laozi; and Xunzi
  - b. Laozi; and Yang Jian
  - c. Kong Fuzi; and Mencius
  - d. Kung Fuzi; and Zhu Xi

## Song Dynasty Stimulus Questions

<http://afe.easia.columbia.edu/songdynasty-module/cities-new.html>



Topic: Urbanization/city life

1. How could the city streets be described?
  - a. Busy
  - b. Inactive
  - c. Crowded
  - d. Both a & c
2. What is a main cause that led to urbanization?
  - a. Military needs
  - b. To create a centralized empire
  - c. Economic advancements
  - d. Governmental force
3. How are future dynasties influence by the Song Dynasty's culture?
  - a. They become more rural
  - b. Cities progress
  - c. Population declines
  - d. Military strengthens
4. What is an impact of cities in the Song Dynasty?
  - a. Population grows
  - b. Trading minimizes
  - c. Diversity reduces
  - d. New businesses decline