

Video Barbarians: The Mongols

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1. It is the end of the 12th century and Europe is mired in the _____ Ages.
2. Genghis Khan's given name is Temujin, Mongolian for _____.
3. In 1175 Temujin's father is poisoned by the Tartars; his mother gives him a simple charge: to seek _____.
4. In 1206 a ruler's council of steppes tribes proclaims Temujin as _____, or "Genghis Khan."
5. In 1211 the Mongols move to invade _____ and within hours defeat a much _____ Chinese force.
6. Disunity within Mongol tribes in 1218 sends Genghis Khan to pursue rebels west into _____ lands, where they annex one territory after another.
7. Genghis Khan realized his territories were on the _____ and he could change the fortunes of his people through trade.
8. In 1220 Genghis Khan's army mounts a _____ prong attack against Samarkand, the Sultan's stronghold.
9. While the sultan spreads his forces to the south, Genghis Khan uses _____ as guides through the desert to the north and they crush the city in ten days.

10. The sultan flees and Genghis Khan tells his men to crush any town that shelters the sultan; he wants them to have no _____. They _____ fields, destroyed wells, flooded cities, cut canals, and chopped down _____.
11. The Mongol Empire reaches from the _____ River to the Caspian Sea, opening East to West for the first time in _____ years.
12. In 1227 Genghis Khan dies; he is laid to rest in a _____ location.
13. Upon his death his empire is carved into _____ states for his sons.
14. In the West Genghis' descendents rule southern _____ and Kwarazm. In the far east, the Khan's grandson unites the three kingdoms of _____. In Persia the Mongols convert to _____ and build magnificent mosques to glorify their new God.
15. Timur would kill all the men in a city but would save the _____ and return them to Samarkand.
16. In 1402, Timur reaches the _____ Turks. He defeats them and Christian Europe is happy with this victory because the Turks were ready to take _____.
17. Timur dies in a mysterious fashion – the story goes that as he is dying he says not to disturb his _____ or a fate worse than him will befall them. His grave remained untouched until June 22, 1941 when it was opened by Soviet archaeologists, the same day that _____ launched his attack on Russia. Over _____ million Russians perish over the next four years.
18. By opening China to the West, the Mongols created an insatiable thirst for _____ goods, inspiring the Age of Exploration and the voyages that would lead Europe to _____.