

## The Tang and Song Dynasties

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### p.411 The Tang Dynasty

1. The dynasty that preceded the Tang was the \_\_\_\_\_.
2. The Tang was founded in \_\_\_\_\_ CE by a general who helped overthrow the previous empire; the empire lasted until \_\_\_\_\_ CE
3. Rulers improved the government by making \_\_\_\_\_, or changes, such as restoring the \_\_\_\_\_ which hired government officials based on merit rather than \_\_\_\_\_
4. The only woman to rule China in her own right was \_\_\_\_\_
5. The Tang armies expanded their territory in central \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and took control of the \_\_\_\_\_. They also forced the \_\_\_\_\_ to pay a \_\_\_\_\_, a tax that one country pays another to be left alone
6. The downfall of the Tang began when nomadic \_\_\_\_\_ took control of the Silk road, damaging China's \_\_\_\_\_. Farmers also \_\_\_\_\_

### p.417-418 A Growing Economy

1. Why did the Tang Dynasty have "problems to solve" as a result of the collapse of the Han?
2. Peace in the \_\_\_\_\_ and more land to farmers allowed for agricultural advances such as:
3. The beverage \_\_\_\_\_ became popular during this time period
4. Improvements in agriculture caused a rise in \_\_\_\_\_ and a shift so that more people settled in \_\_\_\_\_ China
5. Trade was facilitated by new \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ being built

### p.411-412 The Song Dynasty

1. After about \_\_\_\_\_ years of military rule, a general declared himself emperor and founded the Song Dynasty in \_\_\_\_\_ CE and it lasted until \_\_\_\_\_
2. While it was a time of prosperity ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) and cultural success, the dynasty moved its capital south to \_\_\_\_\_. Why?

**p.418-420 New Technology**

1. Explain, in your own words, the progression of how China discovered coal and steel and why it was such a useful discovery.
2. List advantages of printing books and a challenges.
3. What is moveable type and why didn't it work for the Chinese?
4. List at least five other Chinese inventions.

**p.420-422 Art and Literature**

1. What does it mean that the Tang and Song were a "golden age" in China?
2. What characteristics were common in Tang poetry?
3. Painting of \_\_\_\_\_ became common during Song Dynasty
4. Artists did not try to make \_\_\_\_\_ pictures, but they wanted to represent the "idea" of the landscape
5. \_\_\_\_\_ were left in paintings because \_\_\_\_\_ believe people cannot understand the whole truth about something
6. Daoists portray people as \_\_\_\_\_ figures in painting to show that they live in, but do not control \_\_\_\_\_
7. Chinese painters often wrote \_\_\_\_\_ on their works in beautiful characters called \_\_\_\_\_
8. Tang artisans perfected making \_\_\_\_\_, which is sometimes called "China"