**Stearns: Abbasid Decline and the Spread of Islam to South Asia**

BE PREPARED TO ANSWER ALL OF THE QUESTIONS BELOW. USE EVIDENCE AND DETAILS TO SUPPORT ALL OF YOUR ANSWERS.

What are the causes of the split between the Sunni and the Shiite? How did this impact the history of Islamic civilization?

How did the reign of Harun al-Rashid set the trend for subsequent Abbasid rulers?

How did the role of women change over time in Islamic civilization? How did their social status impact their role?

Throughout Abbasid history they were invaded many times. Identify all of the successful invasions and the impact that each had on the empire.

Why were the first Christian crusades the most successful? What is the global significance of the crusades? What were the most important goods/ideas that diffused to W. Europe? Why?

Identify the most significant Islamic cultural achievements of this time period. Compare to early Bedouin societies.

How did Islamic attitudes toward other religions change over time? What is the reason for the change?

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How was the invasion of India by Islamic peoples different from earlier invasions by other peoples?

\*\*\*Compare Islam and Hinduism. Describe the religious interactions that took place in India after the establishment of Islam. (Consider all religions, C.O.T., conversions, etc.)

Describe the role of Sufi Mystics in the spread of Islam. How did the influence islam in India? Southeast Asia?

How was the spread of Islam to SOUTHEAST Asia unique?