

Unit 2

Exchange Across Eurasia: The Sea Roads

Increasing Interactions: Commerce and Clashes 2

Note: all of the following information in addition to your reading is important.

Chapter 3: The Sea Roads

- Describe the location and characteristics of the Indian Ocean trade routes (the Sea Roads) – _____
- Describe the impact of environmental variation, and list a few of the goods that were traded – _____
- Explain why bulk goods – in addition to luxury goods – were profitable enough to be traded along the Sea Roads (since bulk goods were not traded along the Silk Roads) – _____

- Define: monsoons, and explain why they helped facilitate trade across the Indian Ocean – _____



Monsoons

- Identify and describe FOUR technological innovations that improved transportation and trade over water – _____
- Describe ONE change that occurred over time that facilitated trade across the Indian Ocean – _____
- Briefly discuss how geography and trade led to the rise of Srivijaya – _____

The Sea Roads (continued)

- Describe the impact of the spread of Buddhism (e.g., Borobudur) and Hinduism (e.g., Angkor Wat) in Southeast Asia – _____
- Compare the “Indianization” along the Indian Ocean with 1) the spread of Greek culture through Alexander the Great *AND* with 2) the Bantu culture in Sub-Saharan Africa – _____

- Identify several Swahili states, and describe how their cultures and economies contrasted with the East African interior – _____

- Describe how Ibn Battuta’s accounts illustrated the influence of Islam and trade in the Swahili states – _____

- Describe the features Great Zimbabwe, as well as its influence on trade – _____

- Describe the political organization of the Hausa Kingdoms, as well as their influence on trade – _____

