**Common Assessment Study Guide**

Honors World History

**Religions**

What are the Five Pillars of Islam?

Who founded Buddhism?

How does Christianity differ from Islam?

**Trade Routes**

What regions were involved in trade in the 14th and 15th centuries?

How did the astrolabe assist traders?

**Black Plague**

Where did the plague begin and where did it spread?

What led to the end of the plague?

How many types of plague were there?

**Middle Ages**

What were negative effects of the Crusades?

Did the Crusades increase or decrease trade in the Europe?

What was the Great Schism of 1054?

**Renaissance**

What effect did the printing press have on Europe?

Why did the Renaissance begin in Italy?

What innovation in painting was introduced during the Renaissance?

What is humanism?

What was the Medici family known for?

What were the characteristics of a Renaissance Man?

**Protestant Reformation**

Why did Henry VIII split from the Catholic Church?

What did Martin Luther’s 95 Theses do?

The doctrine of predestination was central to the religious teachings of whom?

What is the selling of indulgences?

What was the purpose of the Act of Supremacy?

**Catholic Reforms**

Who were the Jesuits?

What were the outcomes of the Council of Trent?

**Ottomans**

What Ottoman emperor conquered Constantinople?

What was the *devshirme* system designed to do?

**Mughals**

Why did Shah Jahan build the Taj Mahal?

What religion did Akbar practice?

Was Akbar religiously tolerant?

Why did Shah Jahan ignore his peoples’ needs?

Was Aurangzeb religiously tolerant?

What religions did the wives of Akbar practice?

Who founded the Mughals?

What did Suleiman the Lawmaker and Akbar the Great have in common?

What contributed to the decline of the Mughal, Safavid, and Ottoman Empires?

**Ming/Qing**

How many voyages did Zheng He take?

Which European trading country refused to participate in the kowtow ritual?

Why was Zheng He important?

What was the purpose of the merit-based civil service exam?

The Ming and Qing dynasties focused on what religion/philosophy?

What was the Qing’s policy on trade?

What is the Forbidden City and who built it?