1. Why did Pegolotti call the road to China safe?

   ☐ It was under Mongol rule

   ☐ It went by sea

   ☐ It was guarded by Venice

   ☐ There were no merchants on it

2. Baghdad had been the Abbasid capital for about 500 years before 1258. In about which year did it become the capital?

   _____ year

3. Zheng He's voyages ran from 1405 to 1433. Over how many years?

   _____ years

4. What did Mansa Musa's journey through Cairo in 1324 show?

   ☐ How rich Mali was in gold

   ☐ That Mali had been conquered

   ☐ That Mali was Christian

   ☐ That Mali had no trade

5. Ibn Battuta left Tangier aged 21 and was away 24 years. How old was he when he came home?

   _____ years

6. How did the plague reach Sicily in 1347?

   ☐ In letters from China

   ☐ From the Americas

   ☐ With Mongol soldiers on horseback

   ☐ On Italian ships from the Black Sea

7. What did archaeologists find at Great Zimbabwe?

   ☐ Pottery from China and Persia

   ☐ Roman coins only

   ☐ Steam engines

   ☐ Nothing from outside Africa

8. What did a bill of exchange let a merchant do?

   ☐ Deposit money in one city and collect it in another

   ☐ Exchange silk for gold

   ☐ Borrow without repaying

9. The Mongols only destroyed and never built.

   ☐ True ☐ False

10. Zheng He created the Indian Ocean network.

    ☐ True ☐ False

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1. **It was under Mongol rule**

   Mongol control.

2. **762 year**

   Founded in 762.

3. **28 years**

   1433 − 1405.

4. **How rich Mali was in gold**

   He gave away so much gold that its price fell.

5. **45 years**

   21 + 24.

6. **On Italian ships from the Black Sea**

   Genoese ships left Caffa carrying it.

7. **Pottery from China and Persia**

   Evidence of connected trade networks.

8. **Deposit money in one city and collect it in another**

   Credit is a technology.

9. **False**

   They protected trade and moved knowledge.

10. **False**

    It already existed.

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