

3.1 Empires Expand

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• rivalries and conflict between states 国家之间的对抗与冲突

Objective

Build the skills to explain the **land-based empires** 陆上帝国 of 1450-1750.

You must be able to:

- state the CED’s technological explanation of imperial expansion
- name the four land empires and their regions
- explain what ‘in both hemispheres’ adds
- state what led to rivalries between states

1 Worked examples

Study these first. Each one shows the method for a task used later.

■ The explanation

Imperial expansion **relied on the increased use of gunpowder, cannons and armed trade** to establish large empires in both hemispheres. Note the third item: armed trade is a commercial method as much as a military one.

■ Four empires

The **Manchu** in Central and East Asia; the **Mughal** in South and Central Asia; the **Ottoman** in Southern Europe, the Middle East and North Africa; and the **Safavids** in the Middle East.

■ Both hemispheres

The same technological basis produced empires in the Americas as well as Eurasia. The CED is denying that gunpowder empire-building was a regional peculiarity.

■ Rivalries

Political and religious disputes led to rivalries and conflict between states. 3.3 supplies the religious half — the Ottoman-Safavid rivalry intensified the Sunni-Shi’a split.

2 Practice

2.1 State the CED’s technological explanation and name its three elements. [3]

2.2 Name the four land empires with one region each. [2]

2.3 “Armed trade” appears beside gunpowder and cannons.

(a) State why it is unlike the other two. [1]

(b) State what led to rivalries between these states. [2]

3 Exam-style questions

3.1 The Safavid Empire is located in [1]

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|---|---|
| A | B |
| C | D |
- A East Asia
B the Middle East
C North America
D Southern Africa

3.2 “In both hemispheres” denies that gunpowder empire-building was [1]

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|---|---|
| A | B |
| C | D |
- A effective
B a regional peculiarity
C expensive
D technological

3.3 Two empires with the same weapons go to war over doctrine.

(a) Name the pair the CED implies. [1]

(b) Explain why shared technology does not prevent conflict. [2]
