APWH Chapter 17

Learning Objectives & Essential Questions

**The student will be able to identify, explain/discuss/answer the following items:**

1. To what extent did the natural environment and the demands of a pastoral economy influence social organization on the Eurasian steppe lands?

2. Why did women play such prominent social and economic roles in nomadic pastoral societies?

3. How were Turkish people able to venture so far from their central Asian homeland?

4. In what ways do the military practices reflect the influence of the steppe environment on the Mongols?

5. In what ways did Mongol empires and Mongol policies facilitate trade, travel, and communication throughout Eurasia?

6. Why did the Mongols show strong interests in some traditions but not others?

7. To what extent do you think the cities and administrative infrastructure of the region facilitated Tamerlane’s efforts to control his empire?