APWH Chapter 19

Learning Objectives & Essential Questions

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

1. How did the invasions of the ninth and tenth centuries influence the political development of medieval Europe?
2. How did its geographic location help Venice become a center of Mediterranean trade?
3. What was the role of the Genoese bankers in the development of trade?
4. On the basis of Pegolotti’s report, how could you characterize the various commercial, financial, and economic risks faced by European merchants traveling to China and trading there?
5. What does the high volume of commerce suggest about the state of the medieval European economy?
6. Did economic prosperity bring problems in it wake? How so, explain.
7. What were the contribution of the Dominicans and the Franciscans to social problems?
8. What were the military and organizational capabilities of medieval Europe?
9. Taking into account their constructive as well as destructive consequences, how would you characterize the general historical significance of the crusades?