

APWH CHAPTER 12

WS 12

Reunification and Renaissance in Chinese Civilization: The Era of the Tang and Song Dynasties

Directions: Using the Jane Schaffer model of paragraph construction, create a comprehensive summarizing paragraph for each of the following concepts:

I. Rebuilding the Imperial Edifice in the Sui-Tang Eras

A. Sui Excesses and Collapse

B. The Emergence of the Tang and the Restoration of the Empire

C. Rebuilding the World's Largest and Most Pervasive Bureaucracy Unity

D. Institutionalizing Meritocracy: The Growing Importance of the Examination System & Ministry of Rites

E. State and Religion in the Tang and Song Eras

F. The Anti-Buddhist Backlash

II. Tang Decline and the Rise of the Song

A. The Founding of the Song Dynasty

B. Song Politics: Settling for Partial Restoration

C. The Revival of Confucian Thought

D. Roots of Decline: Attempts at Reform

E. Reaction and Disaster: The Flight to the South

III. Tang and Song Prosperity: The Basis of a Golden Age

A. A New Phase of Commercial Expansion by Land and Sea

B. Expanding Agrarian Production and Life in the Country

C. Family and Society in the Tang and Song Era

D. The Neo-Confucian Assertion of Male Dominance

E. Invention, Artistic Creativity, and China's Global Impact

F. Scholarly Refinement and Artistic Accomplishment

KEY TERMS

Period of the Six Dynasties:

Wendi:

Yangdi:

Li Yuan:

Ministry of Public Rites:

Jinshi:

Chan Buddhism:

Mahayana (Pure Land) Buddhism:

Wuzong:

Yang Guifei:

Khitan nomads:

Zhao Kuangyin:

Zhu Xi:

Wang Anshi:

Southern Song:

Jurchens:

Grand Canal:

Junks:

Flying money:

Changan:

Hangzhou:

Footbinding:

Bi Sheng:

Li Bo:

Write an extensive paragraph on each of the following key topics. Use evidence and historical facts.

- 1. Discuss the positive and negative effects of the renaissance of Confucianism during the Tang-Song era.**

- 2. Discuss the proposition that the Tang-Song era was at the same time both innovative and conservative.**

- 1. Trace the Sui rise and fall from power.**

2. Trace the decline of the Tang dynasty.

3. Compare the strengths of the Song Empire with the Tang.

4. Describe the aspects of economic prosperity during the Tang-Song era.

5. Describe the status of women during the Tang-Song era.

6. Appraise the overall effect of the Tang-Song era on Chinese history.

7. Describe the innovations of the Tang-Song era.
