

### 4.3 Study Guide

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#### The Great Mughal Empire in India

1. Who was the Mongol conqueror that had destroyed cities and killed a lot of people all throughout Asia and the Middle East? **Tamerlane**
2. In what year did Tamerlane invade India? **1398**
3. In the city of Delhi, who did Tamerlane defeat? **The Indian army.**
4. After the destruction of the city, what did they report? **That “not a bird on the wing moved for two months.”**
5. What was India referred to as? **“The Land of Riches”**
6. What was the name of the dynasty that was located in northern India from 320 to 540? **Gupta**
7. What were some of the things listed that the Gupta dynasty accomplished? **They built beautiful cities and traded jewels and spices.**
8. What was the religion that was practiced in the Gupta dynasty? **Hinduism**
9. What did Hindus accept many of? **Gods**
10. What did Hindus believe each person must search for? **Their own religious truth**
11. What did Hindus believe that social classes were part of? **The natural order of the universe**
12. What is a strict system of social classes called? **Caste system**
13. Who was at the top of the caste system? **Priests, teachers, and judges; then the warriors; then a social group made up of farmers and merchants; then a class made up of craftworkers and laborers; and last was a group of poor and powerless people.**
14. What did the caste system bring to India? **Stability**
15. During what dynasty did India enter a golden age? **Gupta**
16. From 1206 to 1526, Muslims controlled much of? **India, Bangladesh, and Pakistan**
17. Who ruled the empire? **Sultan**
18. Where was the capital of the empire located? **Delhi**
19. What was the name of the empire? **Delhi Sultanate**
20. Muslim culture was based on ideas that were very different from those of. **Hindu culture**
21. What differences still divide Hindus and Muslims in India today? **Religion**

22. Tamerlane cared little about ruling India. What did he mainly want? **The country's riches; pearls, rubies, diamonds, golden dishes, and slaves.**

23. What is the name of the Turkish prince that was a descendant of Tamerlane? **Babur**

24. In 1526, what did Babur do? **Attacked the sultan's army**

25. Babur's troops were outnumbered by? **10 to 1** and the sultan's army also had? **Elephants**

26. What did Babur's troops have? **Cannons and they were better fighters**

27. Babur would go on to conquer most of northern India which would allow him to create the? **Mughal empire**

28. Mughal is another word for? **Mongol**

29. Mughal emperors were? **Muslims, but most people they ruled were Hindus**

30. Who persuaded the Hindus and Muslims to live more peacefully together? **Akbar**

31. How old was Akbar when he came to power? **13 years old**

32. What did Akbar do to make the empire more peaceful? **Treated all people fair**

33. What did Akbar divide the empire into? **Provinces**

34. Akbar would do some important things: **give government jobs to qualified people, allow Hindu warriors to serve as generals, governors, administrators, and clerks, ended an unfair tax on non – Muslims, and he brought scholars of different religions together for discussion of different viewpoints.**

35. What did the emperor also support? **The arts, but did not know how to read or write**  
By doing this: **the empire would expand for 100 more years under less – talented emperors**

36. What did Japan spend most of its money on? **Extravagant buildings**

37. What was the most famous of the buildings? **Taj Mahal**

38. What did one observer call the Taj Mahal? **Dream in Marble**

39. How many workers did Jahan call together to build the Taj Mahal? **20,000**

40. How long did the Taj Mahal take to build? **22 years**

41. Where was the monument built? **Agra in northern India**

42. What did Aurangzeb do to the Hindus? **He tried to force them to convert to Islam and he made them start paying taxes again, as a result many Hindus rebelled**

43. In 1707, after Aurangzeb's death, what happened to the empire? **It split into many small kingdoms**