

7.17 Mansa Musa Reading Questions

Directions: After reading the text on Mansa Musa, answer the following questions.

1. Why was it important for the army to guard the gold mines and the trade routes?
2. Why was the appearance of the West African Muslims startling to the scholars that came to Timbuktu?
3. What are some dangers Mansa Musa may have encountered on his trip to Mecca?
4. Why did Mansa Musa bring so many powerful people with him on this trip?
5. What would be the effect of having Mali put on Muslim and European maps?