

Chapter 5, Section 1 Questions

Short Answer

1. Which phrase best describes Japan's geography?

2. What change had happened in Japan by the early 700s?

3. Which of the following statements about Prince Shotoku's Constitution of Seventeen Articles is true?

4. What common factor united people in a specific clan in early Japan?

5. What does the movement of Earth's plates underneath Japan produce?

6. Why does so much of the Japanese diet come from the ocean?

7. What is the northernmost Japanese island? What is the southernmost Japanese island?

8. How did the Yamato clan become so powerful?

Chapter 5, Section 3 Questions

Multiple Choice

Identify the choice that best completes the statement or answers the question.

- ____ 1. Which of the following groups would most likely attend a Kabuki performance?
a. Nobles c. Court officials
b. Farmers d. Samurai

- ____ 2. Who wrote *The Tale of Genji*?
a. A woman c. A man
b. The emperor d. A Buddhist monk

- ____ 3. Which of the following is the traditional religion of Japan?
a. Hinduism c. Christianity
b. Buddhism d. Shinto

- ____ 4. Which of the following statements about Buddhism in Japan is true?
a. People cannot practice Buddhism and Shinto at the same time.
b. It has traditionally attracted only the upper classes of society.
c. It can be practiced at the same time as the Shinto religion.
d. It is practiced exactly the same in India and Korea.

- ____ 5. What was a key outdoor feature of many Japanese nobles' homes?
a. A garden c. A theater
b. A pool d. A temple

- ____ 6. Prince Shotoku believed that both Buddhism and _____ could unify Japan.
a. Kami c. Tang China
b. Confucianism d. Taiki Reform

Completion

Complete each statement.

- 7. A *torii* marks the entrance of a Shinto place of worship, also called a _____.

- 8. Many Japanese people felt that _____ was necessary to achieve harmony.

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- 9. Why did clan leaders feel threatened by the spread of Buddhism in Japan?

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10. Describe three aspects of Chinese culture that Prince Shotoku hoped to bring to Japan.

11. Explain Korea's role in introducing Buddhism to Japan.

12. What are two differences between Shinto and Buddhism?

13. Summarize how followers of Zen Buddhism attempt to achieve enlightenment.

14. At the time of the Heian court, how were women treated in society?

15. How was the script used by women writers at the Heian court both similar to and different from the Chinese system of writing?
