World History 9 Honors Post Classical Period Change and Continuity

Overview:

With the fall of the Classical Age Empires, the developed world was set to undergo major changes. The Classical Age balance of power disintegrated and new emerging political powers grew to control the remaining trade routes and cities of antiquity. While consistent and regulated cross-regional connections suffered in the crises of the 5th and 6th centuries, some regions recovered, or emerged anew, relatively soon after the destruction of the ancient world to restore a new type of political and cross-regional world order.

Objective:

Students will understand the changing nature of political power in the Post Classical age, while recognizing the continued importance of the Classical Age foundations.

Task: In small groups of three:

- 1. Examine the introductory notes provided @ http://www.historyappreciation.com/post-classical-age.html
- 2. Complete- to the best of your ability- the guided template provided (below) to guide you through the notes on the early Post Classical Age. (Each student should maintain their own copy)
- 3. Do a little digging!!! What don't you know??? Complete the chart with your own independent research.
- 4. What questions remain unanswered, and spark particular interest? Post one question, and one comment/response (constructed by your group) to another groups question to the forum entitled, **Post Classical Introduction**.

(Please remember to identify your posts by name and period)

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Identify 'Big' ideas	Provide evidence from notes	Provide evidence from your knowledge to further your understanding of why and how World History developed after 600
Identify the zones of development discussed as part of the Classical Age understanding?		
Identify new zones of development as part of the Post Classical Age?		
Identify continuities as they relate to trade in both the Classical and post Classical Age?		
What significant cultural group developed in regard to the changing political world order?		
What aspects of religion- and its followers - remained constant throughout the transition to the Post Classical period? What significant changes were taking place?		
What parts/regions of the world seemed to develop differently after 600? What parts/regions seem to indicate a degree of continuity?		
Why is 1200 a significant year for Post Classical development? How are these changes in some way similar, in others different with regard to the late Classical Age?		