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LT: I can map important locations and areas for Unit 8

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Unit 8 Geography: Mapping & Stuff

Part 1: Mapping

Grab a textbook. Use it to complete the map on the back of this sheet.

Part 2: Analysis

1. Mecca is the birthplace of Islam, and the Islamic Empire expanded from there. Why is the Arabian Peninsula such an advantageous place to build and expand and empire?

2. How did the fall of Rome cause Western Europe to be just a mix of small local kingdoms rather than one unified empire? (Use p. 353 for help)

3. Why would the Byzantine Empire have chosen to build its capital, Constantinople, where it did?

4. Describe the steppe biome. How did it affect how the Mongols lived? (use page 330-331 for help).

5. Why did Chinese culture evolve so differently from the Middle East and Europe? (think geographically, and use the map on p 321 for help).