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**Yuan and Ming Dynasties (p 528-534) - KEY**

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| **Yuan Dynasty (528-530)** |
| 1) What was Genghis Khan’s title as leader?  | ***Universal Ruler*** |
| 2) From where did the Mongols originate?  | ***The plains north of China***  |
| 3) Why was the period of the Yuan Dynasty a significant time in China’s history?  | ***It was the first time all of China was ruled by foreigners.***  |
| 4) How were the Mongol rulers different than the Chinese?  | ***They spoke a different language, dressed differently, worshipped different gods, and had different customs.***  |
| 5) What did the Mongol’s spend their tax money on?  | ***Public works projects like adding to the Grand Canal, roads, palaces, and a new capital Dadu, near Beijing.***  |
| 6) What led to the downfall of the Yuan Dynasty?  | ***Failed campaigns against Japan, expensive public works projects that weakened the economy, Chinese resentment, all of which led to rebellions***  |
| **Ming Dynasty (531-534)** |
| 7) How long did the Ming Dynasty last?  | ***Nearly 300 years – from 1368 to 1644*** |
| 8) Where did the expeditions of Zheng He travel?  | ***Throughout the Indian Ocean and as far west as the Persian Gulf and the easternmost coast of Africa***  |
| 9) How did the Forbidden City get its name?  | ***Common people were forbidden from entering the city***  |
| 10) Why is the Forbidden City a “city within a city”?  | ***It was a huge complex of almost 1,000 buildings located within the capital city.***  |
| 11) How were the Ming emperors more powerful than Tang and Song rulers?  | ***They abolished the offices of powerful officials, took a larger role in running the government, and punished anyone who challenged their authority.*** |
| 12) What was the job of a Chinese censor?  | ***To investigate and report on local officials and local institutions***  |
| 13) How did isolationism affect China?  | ***Over time, China was technologically outpaced by the world and as a result, was weakened and controlled by other countries*** |