1. Who was Hideyoshi? Describe the various activities that made him an important figure in feudal Japanese history, including a discussion of what happened in Korea.

2. Discuss the political, economic, and cultural attributes of the Tokugawa Shogunate period in Japanese history, including the date of its foundation.

3. Starting in the mid-1500s, what kinds of things – militarily, economically, and religiously – that occurred as a result of Japan’s contact with exploring Europeans?

4. What kinds of actions did the Tokugawa Shogunate government take against Christianity beginning in 1614 and continuing into the mid-1600s? Be specific!

5. Despite Japan’s choice to become “isolationist,” what group was still allowed to trade? Describe these contacts.

6. Despite traditional Confucian ideas about merchants, what was Japan’s economy like? WHY were merchants able to have such freedom and power to develop the economy so fully?