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**Study Guide Chapter Two: History of Ancient China**  
**Section 3: The Sui, Tang, and Song Dynasties**  
*Pages 62-67*

Read the "If YOU lived there" section. Answer the question below:

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**Sui Dynasty**

2. Who was the leader who ended the Period of Disunion?

Yang Jian

3. What did he restore as leader?

Grand Canal, canal linking northern; southern China

**Tang & Song Dynasty**

4. Why do you think this dynasty was referred to as the *Golden Age*?

ruled for 300 yrs., China grew larger

5. List four things that happened?

conquered lands, reformed military, created law codes

6. What was significant (important) about Empress Wu?

only woman to rule China

7. What happened in China after the Tang Dynasty fell?

had separate kingdoms competing for power

**Cities and Trade**

8. What was the name of the largest city in the world?

Chang'an

9. This city had a mix of cultures from what five areas?

China, Korea, Persia, Arabia, Europe

10. What three religions mixed in this city?

Buddhist, Daoists, Asian Christians

11. Explain what the Grand Canal was.

a series of waterways that was linked to major cities and carried traded goods.

12. What four areas did China trade to?



13. What five things did China export (or send out)?

tea, <sup>rice</sup> \_\_\_\_\_, spices and <sup>jade</sup> \_\_\_\_\_. The important one was silk

14. Name five things that China imported (or brought in).

foods, plants, <sup>wool</sup> \_\_\_\_\_, <sup>glass</sup> \_\_\_\_\_, gold; <sup>silver</sup> \_\_\_\_\_

15. China traded through the canals and by land, what else did they use that led to more trading with other countries?

sea trade

### Arts and Inventions

16. Name four artists/writers mentioned.

Wu <sup>Daoru</sup> \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ Bo, Du \_\_\_\_\_, Li \_\_\_\_\_

17. Rank the 7 Chinese Inventions on Page 66 in order of what YOU think were the most important. Also give a reason why you chose each one.

	Invention	Reasoning
1	Paper	
2	Woodblock printing	
3	Paper money	
4	Movable type	
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6	Magnetic compass	
7	Porcelain	

18. Why was paper money so important? How did they use to pay for goods?

Coins of metal were bulky: heavy, paper was lighter and easier to use

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