Chapter 1
The World in 1500: Six Cities

People
Mehmet II
Gentile Bellini
Isaac Tzarafati
Sonni Ali
Askia Muhammad
Isabella of Castile
Montezuma II
Chengzu
Akbar
Shaikh Salim

Terms
Byzantine Empire
Islam
Songhay Empire
Qur’ an
Moors
Aztec Empire
teocalli
Middle Kingdom
Forbidden City
Mughal Empire

Knowledge/Understanding Questions

1. Explain how the city of Constantinople was re-named and by whom.

2. Give three pieces of evidence to prove that Constantinople was the “most multi-cultural city in the world.”

3. How important was the Islamic religion to the people of Timbuktu?

4. For what reason did Seville enter a new golden age?

5. Describe the impact of Roman Catholicism on Seville.

6. Explain at least three ways in which Tenochtitlán was an impressive city.

7. How did China’s rulers centralize power in their empire?

8. Describe the naval expeditions sent out by Emperor Chengzu.

9. Why did Akbar choose a new capital, and what did he build there?

10. What evidence is there that Fatehpur Sikri was a unique city?