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### Unit 3: Land-Based Empires Discussion

Discussion Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Instructions:** Use the AMSCO book, unit graphic organizers, presentations, and other resources to complete the questions below. This discussion is meant to be a reflection of concepts we've discussed throughout Unit 3. Answer all of the questions below on a separate sheet of paper. Answer them thoughtfully and thoroughly! Be as specific as possible in your responses--the more analytical and specific you are, the better the discussion will be.

1. In your opinion, which land-based empire had the most effective way of maintaining power in this time period? Support your response with evidence.
2. In regards to methods of maintaining power in this time period (tactics of Louis XIV, Peter the Great, Suleiman I, Tokugawa Ieyasu, etc), did the ends justify the means?
3. Why did many of the land-based empires we discussed in this unit decline or even collapse in the 1750-1900 time period?
4. In reference to the previous question, what specific steps could land-based empires in the 1450-1750 time period could have taken to prevent their decline?
5. What was the most impactful cause of empire collapse in the 1450-1750 time period? Support your response with evidence.
6. Most of the land-based empires did not industrialize effectively in the 1750-1900 time period, why do you think these states failed to industrialize at the same time as Europe?
7. Based on what you learned in this unit, what are the most effective ways of addressing cultural, racial, religious diversity within an empire?
8. Consider how land-based empires (1450-1750) utilized monumental architecture and art to legitimize political authority. Evaluate the extent to which monumental architecture reinforces or maintains political authority in the 21st century.
9. Consider how land-based empires (1450-1750) utilized religion to legitimize political authority. Evaluate the extent to which religion reinforces or maintains political authority in the 21st century.
10. Describe the role of tax collection in the maintenance/growth of state power.
11. Is it possible to have a powerful and effective state without tax/tribute collection? Explain your answer.

Write two discussion questions (relevant to the content of Unit 3) below.

#### First Question

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#### Second Question

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