# *BIG PICTURE QUESTIONS (VIII)*

1. What **motivated and sustained** the long-distance commerce of **the Silk Roads, Sea Roads, and Sand Roads?**

2. Why did the **Eastern Hemisphere** develop **long-distance trade more extensively** than did the societies of the Western Hemisphere?

3. In what ways did **commercial exchange** foster other **changes**?

4. In what ways was **Afro-Eurasia a single interacting zone**, and in what respects was it a **vast region of separate cultures and civilizations**?