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Instructions: In the first box, write what you're curious about. In the second box, write answers to any of the questions in the first box. In the third box, write questions you still have about the topic.

What I'm curious about
Answers to my questions
What I still want to know

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Instructions: Fill in the timeline with important events in the book, along with their corresponding dates. Check to make sure that the timeline is in chronological order, even though facts may be out of order in the book.



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Instructions: Read the sentences below and decide whether they contain dashes or hyphens. Then write *dash* or *hyphen* on the short line to the left of the sentence. If the sentence does contain a dash, explain how it is used (to clarify information or to add a thought) on the lines below the sentence.

① _____ Marco Polo was a hostage in a war between two Italian cities—
Genoa, and his home city, Venice.

② _____ Much of the trade with China was conducted by way of a long
east-west route across the continent of Asia.

③ _____ For centuries, it was a highway for camel caravans—long lines of
camels loaded with goods.

④ _____ At that time, China was being governed by a dynasty—a line of
rulers from the same family or group—called the Han.

⑤ _____ After the Polos had rested, they went with Kublai Khan to the
capital, Cambaluc, also called Ta-tu (present-day Beijing).

⑥ _____ He was placed in command of a war galley—a ship powered by
many human rowers.



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Instructions: Write one sentence for each pair of homophones. You may use a dictionary to identify the meaning of each word, if needed. Use each homophone once in the sentence. You may add suffixes such as *-ed*, *-s*, or *-ing* to the homophones to help them fit in the sentence.

Example:

(where/wear) Where were you when I decided to wear that horrible outfit?

① (eight/ate) _____

② (plane/plain) _____

③ (in/inn) _____

④ (flew/flu) _____

⑤ (red/read) _____

⑥ (cent/sent) _____

⑦ (knew/new) _____

⑧ (see/sea) _____

⑨ (their/there) _____

⑩ (hair/hare) _____