

Note-taking guidance for Land-Based Empires (Japan)

Assignment: take notes on all of the details indicated below and obey the warnings below.

How are the notes due? → take a picture of your notes and upload them to Archie. Make sure it includes all of your notes. Always bring your notebook to class too!

Remember:

- Your notes must go in the notebook required for this course.
- Not loose leaf paper. Not in random sticky notes. Not on your hand. Not typed out.
- **They must be written, with your hand - yes. Pencil or Pen.**
- Organization is key. Be organized with your notes. Please go in order according to the instructions. Make lists like “vocabulary” or “historical figures” (etc.) easy to spot.
- If you missed class, find the PDF versions of the slides and read the textbook pages indicated below.
- **You will lose points if: late, unorganized, unreadable, or missing required information.**

Relevant Textbook (*Ways of the World*) Passages for 3.1: pgs. 341-345

Take Notes On (Using slide set “Land-Based Empires: Japan (Slides #10)”):

- Everyone: take **notes on the Japanese feudal system (the pyramid)**
- Everyone: I’m not going to be specific because I don’t have much time → **notes are necessary on the Shinto religion, Kamakura Period, Muromachi Period, and the Tokugawa/Edo Period.**
- **AP People:** the rest is up to your discretion, but you should have notes with which you can do the following:
 - Briefly describe the syncretism of Japanese Shinto-Buddhist
 - Compare feudal Japan to feudal Europe (and other places)
 - Describe and accurately analyze the change of samurai power, authority, and perception over the course of time
 - Explain the differences between the shogunates of the three feudal eras (Kamakura, Muromachi, Edo Periods)
 - Identify & describe the class conflict between emperor, shogun, daimyo, and samurai and how the power dynamics shifted over time
 - Explain the tactics used by the Tokugawa to secure their position and create stability (by force) in the 17th century.
 - Explain the effects of European trade & contact on Japan in the 16th and 17th centuries.

Tip: Heian Period, not that important to us, it’s there for historical context.