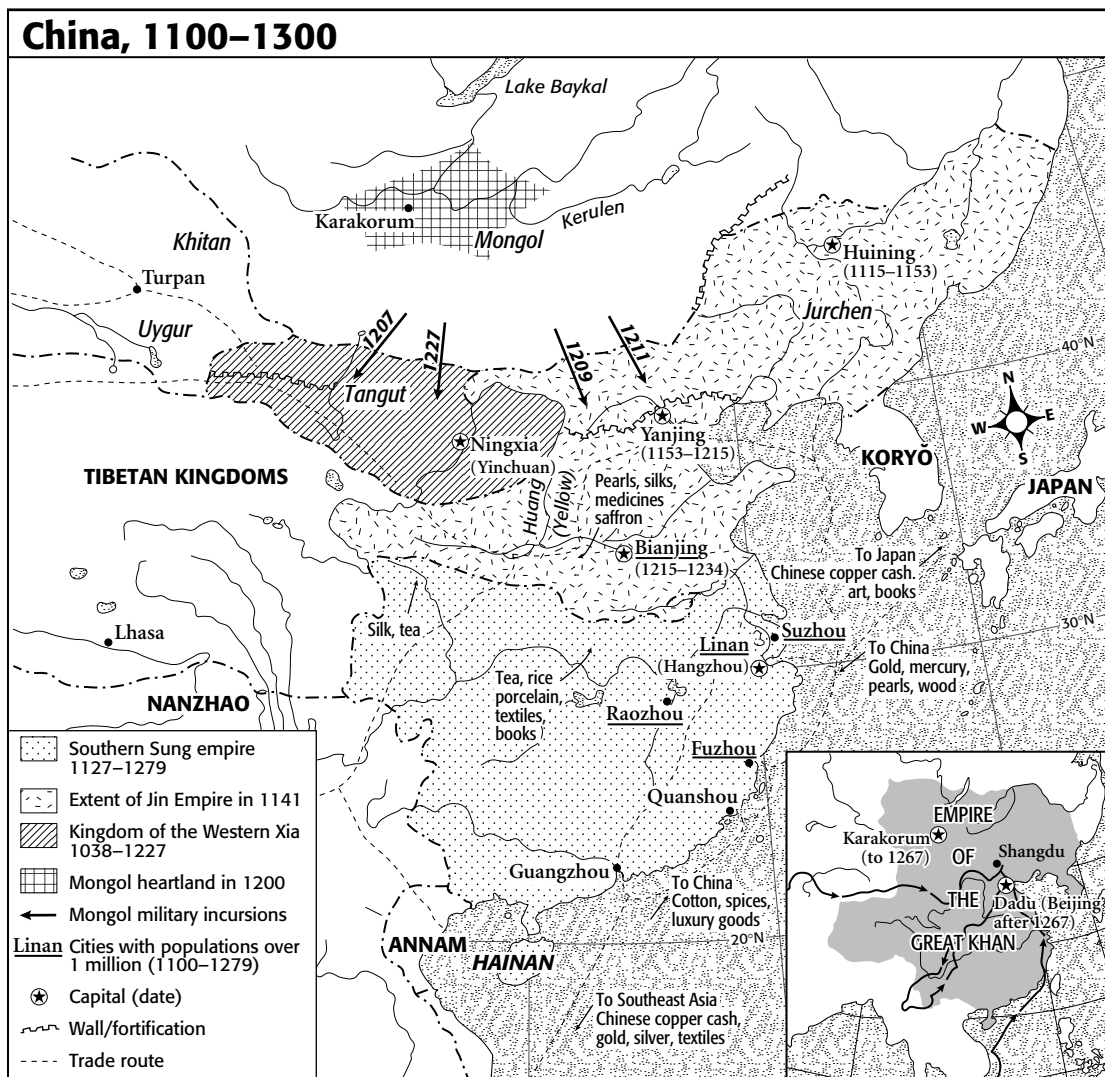


CHAPTER 27

Map Activity

China Under Siege, 1100–1300

The Sung Dynasty, which united China in A.D. 960, was later overwhelmed by invasions. First came the Jurchen, who overran northern China in the 1100s, capturing the Sung capital of Bianjing and forcing the Sung into southern China. Then came the Mongols, who seized all of China by 1279 and established the Empire of the Great Khan. The map below shows the various empires in China during this period, along with trade routes and major cities. Study the map, then answer the questions on the following page.



Chapter 27, Map Activity, continued

1. What empires or kingdoms are shown on the map? Where was the empire of the Tangut people?

2. How long did the Southern Sung empire last? What was the Sung capital? How large was it?

3. What products did the Sung trade with other lands? What products did they get from other lands?

4. When did the Mongol invasions take place? What lands did the Mongols enter first? What obstacle did they encounter?

5. About how large was the Empire of the Great Khan? What were its capitals?

6. **Critical Thinking: Interaction** How do you think the Chinese people and culture were affected by frequent invasions and conquest?

ACTIVITY Find a map of another Chinese empire: the Qin, Han, Tang, Ming, or Qing. Sketch the map onto another piece of paper, showing as much detail as possible. Then compare your sketch with the map above. How did the two empires compare?