Middle Ages: Asia - Vocab Cards

Bushido]>

the code of the samurai in Japan, which valued loyalty and honor. Samurai warriors followed the _Bushido_, a strict code meaning "the way of the warrior," which valued loyalty and honor over life.



Use this word in a sentence or give an example to show you understand its meaning:

Make a connection between this word and another word or idea:

daimyo]>

a lord who owned land, pledged allegiance to and served the shogun in feudal Japan.

The shogun were served by _daimyo_, powerful local landowners in feudal Japan.



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Draw this vocab word or an example of it:

feudalism]>

in the Middle Ages, a social system in which nobles allowed people to use their land if they fought for and worked for them.

During the Middle Ages, _feudalism_ flourished in Japan and Europe. This economic and political system benefitted landowning families, who let other people live and work on their land in exchange for a portion of their crops and military service.



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Genghis Khan]>

Mongol conqueror of much of Asia and parts of Europe. He lived from 1162 until 1227.

The roving Mongol armies of _Genghis Khan_ violently subjugated huge parts of Asia and Europe during the Middle Ages.



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samurai]>

in the Middle Ages, a member of the Japanese warrior class.

The Japanese _samurai_ protected their lords from attacker during the Middle Ages.



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seppuku]>

ritual suicide practiced by the Japanese samurai or sometimes formerly ordered by a court instead of the death penalty.

Japanese samurai valued honor so much that if they angered themselves or their lords, they'd kill themselves by _seppuku_ to avoid disgrace.



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Shinto]>

a traditional religion of Japan that includes worship of ancestors and nature.

The Japanese _Shinto_ religion worships "kami," divine energies that may be the spirits of ancestors or elements of the natural world, such as animals, wind or rain.



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shogun]>

in the Middle Ages, a Japanese military leader.

The _ shogun_ promised to rule faithfully on behalf of the Japanese emperor and to command his military wisely.



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Song Dynasty]>

an era of Chinese history from 960-1279 that saw many cultural and technical inventions, including paper money and gunpowder.

The Chinese consider the _Song Dynasty_ a golden age of invention and achievement. Art flourished during this period, and warfare was revolutionized because gunpowder was developed.



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Zen Buddhism]>

a Japanese sect of Buddhism that searches for enlightenment through direct intuition through meditation.

Marianne has been studying _Zen Buddhism_ in the hopes of finding enlightenment through meditation.



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