Click on the links to watch the following videos and answer the questions below.

[**Video #1**](http://viewpure.com/eO1E8x27LVE?start=0&end=0)

**Video #1 Question**:

1. According to the Video, what was the Silk Road?

A vast network of roads emerging over centuries throughout Asia

1. Who travelled on the Silk Road and what items did they trade?

Romans/Europeans, China, and everyone in between

They traded silk, gems, spices, cotton

1. What affect did the materials traded on the Silk Road have on the Romans?

Made the wealthy seem even more elite

It started fashion trends in the capital of Roman empire and made people really want silk!

1. Why was the Silk Road called the first “Commercial Highway”?

Connected 2 major empires (Rome and China) that were exchanging commerce (goods)

[**Video #2**](http://viewpure.com/vn3e37VWc0k?start=0&end=0)

**Video #2 Questions:**

1. What did the Romans trade the Chinese in exchange for their silk?

Glass ware, horses, cotton

1. According to the video, what other things besides goods were traded on the Silk Road?

Ideas, technology, religion, languages, messages, military tactics

1. Why do you think invaders who normally only destroyed things protected the Silk Road trade routes?

Tax the merchants for protection as well as demand the goods

1. What led to the end of the Silk Road?

Europeans exploration on sea ended the need to travel far distances across land

1. How was the Silk Road GLOBAL?

It connected 5,000 miles of the world. It spread through most of the world civilizations at the time.

1. What examples of modern GLOBAL economy are done today thanks to the pioneers of the Silk Road? Fashion, technology, amazon, internet