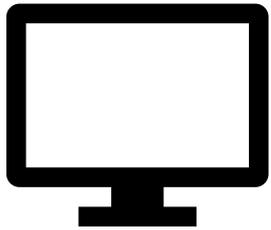


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A few months before Marco Polo was born his father and uncle traveled to China to set up a trading business. At that time, China was known as Cathay. After his mother died, Marco was raised by his aunt. His father did not return to Venice until he was 15 years old.

During their first trip to China, Marco's father and uncle met Kublai Khan, the Mongol Emperor. The Mongol Empire covered half of the continent of Asia.

Kublai Khan had asked the Polos to bring back scholars to teach him about European culture. To ensure safe travels, the emperor awarded Marco with a golden tablet of safe conduct, which was an inscribed gold plaque.

When he was seventeen, Marco Polo traveled to Asia with his father and uncle. The three traveled 5,000 miles across Persia, China, India and Japan. They crossed the Caspian Sea and the Gobi Desert, finally arriving at Shang-tu. Shang-tu was the summer home of Kublai Khan.

Upon arrival, they gave gifts to Kublai Khan. They presented him with oil from Jerusalem and letters from the Pope. Marco stayed in China, learned to speak the language and became a messenger and spy for Kublai Khan. Marco studied the local culture. He served in

Who was the Mongol emperor? *

- Khan Cao
- Kubble Khan
- Kublai Khan
- Cao Cao

Who did Marco Polo meet while in prison? *

- Tejano
- Rustichello
- Cao Cao
- None of the above

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TRUE OR FALSE

8 Marco Polo was born in Russia.

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CHOICE

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4 What animal did he think rhinoceroses were?

A. Elephant
B. Unicorn
C. Hyena
D. Woolly mammoth

5 What name did China use to be called?

A. Cathay
B. Santa Anna
C. Khana
D. Marcoville

6 How many years was Marco imprisoned for?

A. 2
B. 1
C. 13
D. 6

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- ✓ TEACHER DIRECTIONS
 - ✓ ANSWER KEY
 - ✓ 15 QUESTIONS
 - ✓ SELF-GRADING
- ✓ PRINTABLE VERSION
- ✓ DIGITAL VERSION



QUESTION TYPES

-  **MULTIPLE CHOICE (6)**
-  **TRUE OR FALSE (9)**
-  **EDITABLE QUESTIONS
(FOR DIGITAL VERSION)**

True

False



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✓ GOOGLE™ ACCOUNTS

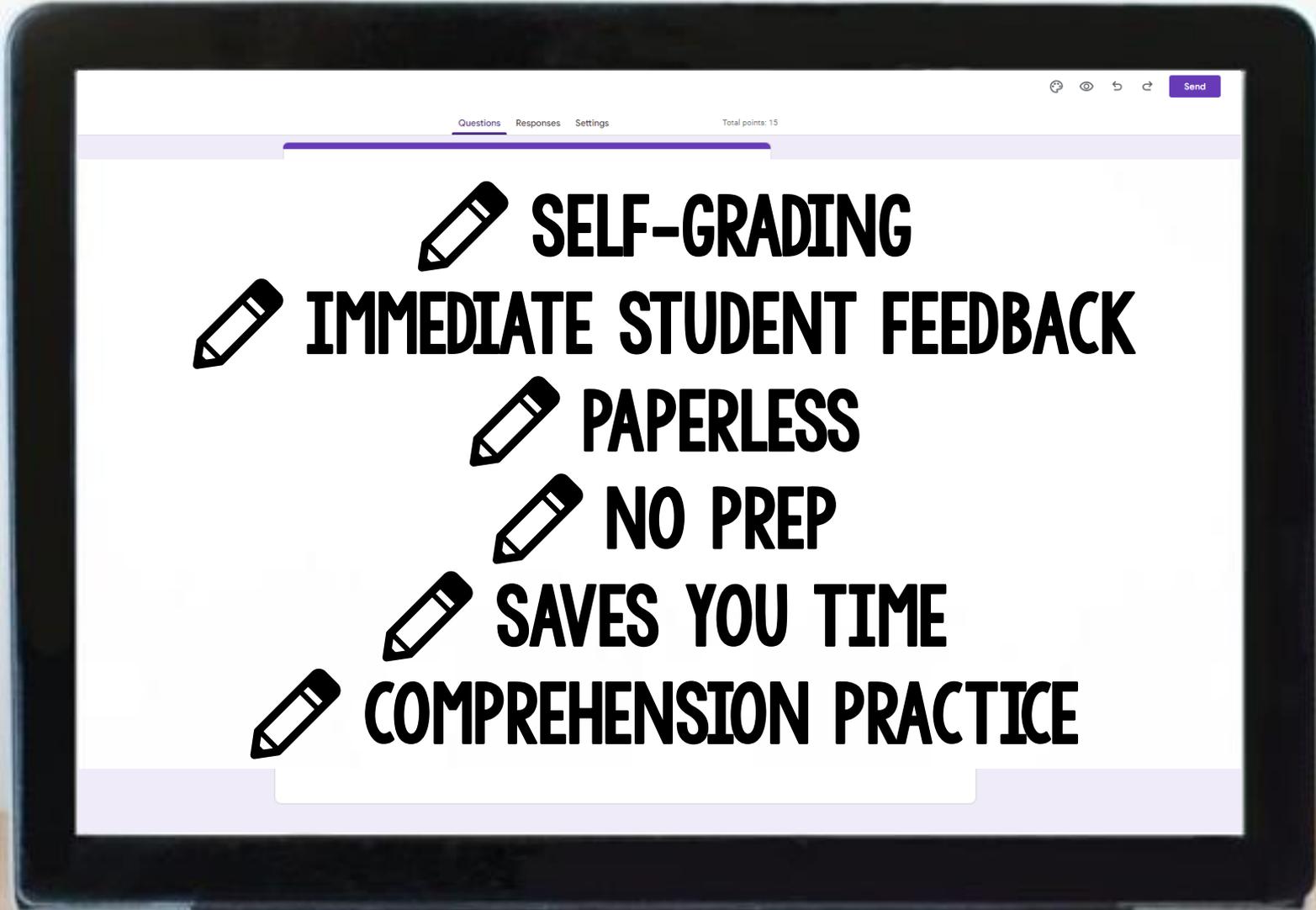
✓ KNOW HOW TO ZOOM IN AND ZOOM OUT TO
ENLARGE OR SHRINK THE SCREEN

True

False



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- 
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 -  **COMPREHENSION PRACTICE**



OPTIONS



FRONT-LOADING



GROUP STATIONS



SUB PLANS



UNIT REVIEW



ENRICHMENT ACTIVITY



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