

Topic 8: After the Mongols

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Outline

The Mongols and After, 1250-1450

- I. Khubilai Khan**
 - a. Why is he so pro-Chinese?**
 - b. Do the Chinese Hate Mongol Rule?**
 - c. Religious Debates**
 - d. The Fall of the Yuan**

- II. The Mongolian World System**
 - a. Regular linkages between regions of Eurasia**
 - b. The Core: Baghdad, Constantinople, Xi'an, Beijing**
 - c. Shifts in Core Cities: Baghdad → Cairo**

- III. 1350-1450: The Nadir of World History?**
 - a. Collapse of Mongol Rule**
 - b. The Black Death**
 - c. Timur tries to recreate the Empire**

- IV. The First World Historians**
 - a. Rashid al-Din (1247-1318)**
 - b. Ibn Khaldun (1332-1395)**