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Unit 1: Rivers and Civilizations

Lesson 10: The Chinese

**Empire** 

LEQ: How did China change under the Han Dynasty??

What were the risks of the Silk Road, and how did the geography contribute to the risks? Why was the Silk Road expensive to use?

Risks: crossed through wide deserts, high mountains, and dangerous bandits that stole expensive goods \*traveled in groups with camels to increase safety

Expensive: traders had to pay taxes to each kingdom they passed through, and risked getting valuables stolen

What were the achievements of the Han Empire?

- \* predicted eclipses
- \*used herbs to treat illness
- \*written language grew and scholars created 1st dictionary
- \*invented paper, steel, waterwheels, iron drill bits,
- \*seismograph to predict and locate earthquakes