

CHAPTER 7 | LESSON 1 Reunifying China

Reading Skill and Strategy**Reading Skill: Understanding Cause and Effect**

Identifying causes and effects can help you understand the impact of historical change. Study the chart below. Then, in the “Effects” column enter the results of the listed causes. Answer the questions below to help you complete this task.

Causes	Effects
The Han Dynasty falls.	
Buddhism becomes widely practiced.	
The Sui and Tang dynasties reunify China.	

READING STRATEGY: QUESTIONS

- _____ **1.** Read the section titled “Fall of the Han Dynasty.” Write the letter of the question that you might ask yourself to identify the effects of the fall of the Han Dynasty.
- How did north China differ from south China after the fall of the Han Dynasty?
 - What kind of life style did nomads follow after the fall of the Han Dynasty?
 - What was life like in China after the fall of the Han Dynasty?
- _____ **2.** Read the section titled “Changes in Belief Systems.” Write the letter of the question that you might ask yourself to identify the impact of changes in belief systems in China.
- How do the beliefs of Buddhists differ from those of Christians?
 - How did Buddhism influence Chinese society?
 - Who was the founder of Buddhism?
- _____ **3.** Read the section titled “The Sui and Tang Dynasties Reunify China.” Write the letter of the question that you might ask yourself to identify the results of reunification under the Sui and Tang.
- What strategies did Sui rulers use to reunify China?
 - Which dynasty was in power the longest—the Sui or the Tang?
 - How did reunification under the Sui and Tang affect China’s economy and culture?