History and Culture of India – Guided Reading

1. Using the dates on the bottom of 546-547 construct a timeline of India’s important dates from 2300 BC to 1947.
2. Where was the first civilization in the Indian subcontinent?
3. Who were the Aryans?
4. How did the Aryans influence the Indian subcontinent?
5. What did Indian mathematics first introduce?
6. Who was Babur? What was his religion?
7. What happened to trade during the Mughal Empire? What goods became popular?
8. What was the Mughal Empire’s stance on religion?
9. Who came to India as the Mughal Empire was declining?
10. What is the East India Company?
11. How did the East India Company throughout the 1800s.
12. When and why did Indians begin to question British rule?
13. Who was Mohandas Gandhi? Use the box on 548 to help you with your answer.
14. When Great Britain agreed to make India independent what crisis broke out?
15. What did the British do to avoid a civil war?
16. How was India divided in 1947?
17. After India and Pakistan won their independence what happened to other countries in the region?
18. Predict – How might Indian history have been different if the British had not ruled India?