Chapter 2 Discussion

1. What stuck out to you as particularly interesting in this chapter? Were there any questions you had while reading or any sections of the chapter you did not understand?
2. How did geography play a major role in the development of civilization in China? Discuss the positives and negatives of geographic limitations)
3. Compare the 2 belief systems developed during Classical China. What influence did they have on the development of Chinese culture? (Think about how these belief systems fit into each SPICE category)
4. The Mandate of Heaven served to create a sense of loyalty and obedience. How did the Han and Qin empires expand the power of the centralized state? Note negatives and positives to their systems of control.
5. Describe the technological advances of Classical China and the influence on later civilizations. What can we still thank them for today?