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Mansa Munsa Discussion Questions

Document A: Blog Post

1. (Sourcing) Who created this blog post? When was it created? Why do you think it was written?

2. (Close Reading) What is the main point of the blog post? Identify two claims it makes.

a. _____

b. _____

3. (Close Reading) What evidence does it use to support its claims?

4. Do you think the information in this blog post is trustworthy? Why or why not?

Document B: Catalan Atlas

1. (Sourcing) What kind of document is this? Who created it? When?

2. (Corroboration) How does the Catalan Atlas compare to the *Huffington Post* blog post in terms of its depiction of Mansa Musa?

3. Do you think this is an accurate depiction of Mansa Musa? Why or why not?

Document C: Al-Umari

1. (Sourcing) Who is Al-Umari? Do you think he is a reliable source of information on Mansa Musa's pilgrimage to Mecca? Why, or why not?

2. (Corroboration) How does this document compare to *The Huffington Post* blog post and the Catalan Atlas in terms of its depiction of Mansa Musa?

3. (Close Reading) How does the emir Abu describe Mansa Musa to Al-Umari? According to the emir Abu, what traits does Mansa Musa possess?

4. Do you think Al-Umari's description of Mansa Musa is accurate? Why or why not?
