**Internet Research Worksheet**

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| Topic under investigation: | Marco Polo |

1. Who was involved?

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| **Individual's or Group's Name** | **Short Description of This Person or Group** |
| Marco Polo |  |
| Niccolò Polo |  |
| Maffeo Polo |  |
| Kublai Khan |  |
| Rustichello da Pisa |  |
| Kokachin |  |

1. What were the main events and when did they occur?

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| **Date** | **Title of Event** | **Short Description of This Event** |
|  | Birth of Marco Polo |  |
|  | Return of Niccolò and Maffeo Polo |  |
|  | Departure of the Polo Family |  |
|  | Arrival at Kublai Khan's Court |  |
|  | Departure from Kublai Khan's Court |  |
|  | Return to Venice |  |
|  | Marco Polo's Imprisonment |  |
|  | Release from Captivity |  |
|  | Death of Marco Polo |  |

1. Where were the important locations?

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| **Name of City, Country or Location** | **Short Description of This Location** |
| Venice, Italy |  |
| Constantinople |  |
| Shangdu (Xanadu), China |  |
| Hangzhou, China |  |
| Taklamakan Desert |  |

1. What new words or phrases do you need to understand?

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| **Word or Phrase** | **Short Description of This Word or Phrase** |
| Silk Road |  |
| Pax Mongolica |  |
| Khagan |  |
| Mappa mundi |  |
| Mongol Empire |  |

**Paragraph Writing**

Based upon what you have learnt in your research, answer the question below in paragraph format (Topic Sentence, Explanation, Evidence, Concluding Sentence):

*Why was Marco Polo’s travels a* [*significant*](https://www.historyskills.com/historical-knowledge/significance/) *historical event?*