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Marco Polo

1. What is the *main idea* of the reading on Marco Polo?
2. Why did Marco's father want to travel all the way to China to buy goods instead of just buying them somewhere along the way?
3. According to the reading, what are some 'new' things that Marco Polo saw during his stay in China?
4. What advantage would using paper money (like the Chinese did) have over using gold and silver coins (as they did in Europe)?
5. The book *The Travels of Marco Polo* was extremely popular. Why do you think that was?

