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Silk Road Products – Reading Notes

For each section complete the graphic organizer and complete the questions in complete sentences.

Section 1: The Beginning of the Silk Road

Rewrite the quote in your own words.

Section 2: The 'Branches' of the Silk Road

Why were there so many branches of the Silk Road? State each cause as well as how that specific cause directly impacted the network of trade routes.

Why were Roman traders never seen in Chinese cities and Chinese traders were never seen in the west?

Section 3: The Middlemen Benefited the Most

Why did middlemen benefit the most from the system of trade along the Silk Road?

Why do you think Arabs were considered the 'greatest of middlemen'?

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What purpose did telling grand tales about how products were acquired serve?

Section 4: The "Spice Islands"

What are the "Spice Islands"? What specific goods come from there?

Why were spices so valuable? (What were they used for?)

Section 5: The Goods - Region by Region

What specific goods came from different places and traveled along the Silk Road?

Origin Location	Products	