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## **Understanding Causes and Effects**

The chart below lists some of the causes and effects of the Crusades. Study the chart. Then use the guidelines for understanding causes and effects in Skill Lesson 3 (text page 88) to answer the questions that follow.

## - CAUSES -

- Power and influence of the Roman Catholic Church increases in western Europe
- Turkish Muslims conquer the Holy Land and close it to all Christians
- The Roman Catholic Church calls on Europeans to free the Holy Land from the Turks



## **EFFECTS** -

- Many Christians and Muslims die
- Holy Land remains under Muslim control
- Europeans are exposed to the foods, spices, and goods of the Middle East and Asia.
- Europeans develop an interest in trade
- Sailing skills of the Europeans improve as they acquire knowledge of the compass and astrolabe from the Arabs

Which cause of the Crusades occurred after the Turks conquered the Holy Land?			
2. Which cause of the Crusades was most			
long-range?			
3. What effect did the Crusades have on			
control of the Holy Land?			
4. Which effect of the Crusades was most			
immediate?			
5. Why would improvement in the sailing skills of Europeans be a long-range effect			
of the Crusades?			
6. Why did Europeans develop an interest in trade as a result of the Crusades?			