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Assess the importance of the accounts of the Chinese and Arab travellers in the reconstruction of the history of India.

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Salient features of world's physical geography.

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Faxian

Chinese monk who travelled in India in the early fifth century and wrote on Magadha and Buddhist sites.

Xuanzang

Seventh-century pilgrim at Nalanda who described Harsha's kingdom and many Indian regions.

Al-Biruni, Kitab al-Hind

Eleventh-century Arabic study of Indian religion, sciences, and social order.

Ibn Battuta

Fourteenth-century traveller who served Muhammad bin Tughlaq and wrote the Rihla.

Nalanda

Mahavihara in Bihar that Chinese monks treated as a centre of Buddhist learning.

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