Part I: Introduction
What was Japan like in 1543 when the Portuguese arrived?

How can the culture of the Tokugawa be described?

Part II: The Way of the Samurai
Who were the Portuguese who arrived in Japan in 1543?

What most impressed the Daimyo at the time?

What was the purpose of the hostage system?

Describe the political situation at the time.

What did the missionaries think about the Japanese culture at the time?

What were some of the observations of Joao Rodriguez?

What did the Japanese call the Europeans? Why did they have this idea about Europeans?

What factors might explain some of the great success of the early missionaries?
Part III: He Cut His Belly
How were hostages generally treated?

“The entire life of Ieyasu was that of patience and forbearance”– Based on the information in the film, use your own words to explain this quote.

What is the main content of the book *The Five Rings*?

Did samurai women receive special training?

Why are cherry blossoms often compared to the samurai?

Why did samurai cut open their belly in *seppuku*?

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**Homework**

Read the article *Tokugawa Ieyasu: Founder of the Tokugawa Shogunate* on the ABC-CLIO website, take notes and paraphrase the information in the article. Be prepared to answer questions on the article in a short quiz by the next class period.