China-Burma-India Map Instruction Sheet

Today you will need to map out the China-Burma-India Theater of World War II. Take your time to label (and spell) every location correctly. Work first in pencil, and then in colored pencil. You may collaborate, but each student needs to submit his or her own map.

Using the maps provided to the group, label the following:

1. Label the Pacific Ocean, the Bay of Bengal, the Arabian Sea, and the Indian Ocean and shade in blue.

2. In black, label the following countries: China, Tibet (now a part of China), Nepal, Soviet Union, Mongolia, Korea, India, Burma, Siam (now Thailand) and French Indo-China (now Vietnam and Laos).

3. In red, shade in the area that was Japanese controlled territory.

4. In green, draw the Burma Road. Add this to your key.

5. In brown, draw in small triangles representing the Himalayan Mountain Range.

6. In black, label the air bases in southern China with an “x.” Add this to your key.

Once your maps are complete, you need to work as a group to solve the problem the Allies had in 1942. The Burma Road has been captured by the Axis Powers. Discuss the best alternative to supply the air bases in southern China. Once you have determined the best possible route, draw it in blue.