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1. Why has Anna arrived in Siam?
2. Where was she living prior to Siam?
3. Who killed the Siamese villagers?
4. How many people were in the royal family?
5. Why do you think the King wants his children to learn to speak English?
6. Why does Anna insist upon having her own home outside of the palace walls?
7. What explanation does Anna give for the King having multiple wives?
8. Why do you think that Tuptim has been brought to the palace?
9. What is the population of Siam?
10. What reason does Anna give the prince for why she is there to serve as his teacher?
11. Which imperial country is a protectorate of Burma?
12. Which imperial country is a protectorate of Cambodia and Vietnam?
13. Why do the King’s advisors think that Burma is attacking Siamese villages?

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14. What religion is practiced in Siam?

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Culture is defined as the customs and beliefs of a group of people or society. Elements of culture may include language, clothing, religious beliefs, food, holidays, rituals, music, art, and literature. Cultural diversity, or the appreciation of people and cultures that are different from our own, is our magnet theme for the next two months.

In the movie, “Anna and the King,” two cultures clash: European vs. Asian. As Anna and the King of Siam learn about each other’s cultures, it helps them understand one another more. Please complete the following chart about the differences in culture as you view the movie:

| | The British | The Siamese |
|--------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Clothing | | |
| Religion | | |
| Marriage | | |
| Discipline of Children | | |
| Women’s Rights/Freedoms | | |