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Question 1

Jerusalem was a holy land to Christians and Muslims alike. The two believed that the Holy Land belonged to them, and when the Muslims took over Jerusalem, the Christians thought it was right for them to come and reclaim the land leading to the first crusade. The second factor that attributed to the crusade was when Muslims closed Jerusalem to the Christians. Pope Urban II initiated the third factor. He believed that the crusade would give power to the Catholic Church when the Byzantine Empire requested his assistance on reclaiming Jerusalem back (New Horizon, 2011).

Question 2

As the leader of the Roman Catholic Church, Pope Urban II's primary role in this crusade was to mobilize Christians into joining the crusade (New Horizon, 2011). The narrator of the film recounts that the Pope urged people to join the crusade so that they can get forgiveness for their sins.

Question 3

Jerusalem was regarded as the greatest prize because of its history with holiness. It is the place where Jesus Christ died and rose from dead. On the other hand, for Muslims, it is a city where Muhammad rose to meet with Allah, and to the Jews, it is the site where magnificent temples of Herod and Solomon resides. It was also the most significant prize because whoever would rule the city would access the power and wealth that came with Jerusalem (New Horizon, 2011).

Question 4

Today, Islam and Christian religion still go through the aftermath of the crusade. In that now, Islam is often considered to be a terrorist religion due to the terror attacks experienced globally, and a lot of Christians rarely want to interact with them due to fear. Christians and Muslims still cannot agree with one another due to the different religious ideologies where each religion believes it is better than the other one (Erdagç, 2016). There are still some aftermaths of war between Christians and Muslims in countries like Nigeria where they suffer a great deal at the hands of the Islam extremists in their country known as Boko Haram.

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