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The Opium Wars: Clash of Empires and the Struggle for Control

Open-Ended Response Questions

1. Analyze the motivations of European powers in engaging in the opium trade with China, and discuss the ethical considerations surrounding this trade.
2. Imagine you are a Chinese citizen during the height of the Opium Wars. Describe the impact of these conflicts on your daily life and your perceptions of the Qing Dynasty.
3. Explore the concept of extraterritorial rights granted to foreigners in China after the Opium Wars. How did this affect Chinese sovereignty and domestic affairs?
4. Reflect on the lessons learned from the Opium Wars and their relevance to contemporary issues related to international trade, sovereignty, and conflict resolution.

