**World History:**

Name:

Date:

***Characteristics of Declining Empires***

**Directions:** After reading the assigned handout, work with your partner to fill out the T-chart below. Explain whether you observed each of the three characteristics of a declining empire occurring, and then give one piece of evidence to support your opinion (Remember we have to start making historical arguments!). When you have completed the chart, answer the question below.

**Islamic Empire**

**Mongol Empire**

**Unstable Leadership**

* Argument: \_\_Y or N\_\_ they had weak ledership
* Evidence:

**Military Defeat**

* Argument
* Evidence:

**Internal Disputes**

* Argument
* Evidence:

**Compare** and **contrast** the Mongol Empire and the Islamic Empires. Use complete sentences and consider the information above in order to explain how the decline of each empire was similar and different. Remember, we need to make historical arguments, so make sure to use evidence to support your opinions!

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**Unstable Leadership**

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* Evidence:

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