Section 3: the rise of the Fujiwara Family

Station: How did you behave toward Fujiwara Michinaga? Why?

Bow to him to show respect. He is a powerful and respected leader.

List two ways the Fujiwara family was able to exercise power despite their not being the formal rulers of Japan:

1) Marry their daughters into the Emperor's family
2) Advise the Emperor

Section 4: Social Position in the Heian Court

Station: What did you do with the fan? Why?

Yes, it has fewer than 25 folds. As a member of the 5th rank, I can use fans with up to 23 folds.

What determined the rank a person held during the Heian period?

Family birth
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Section 5: Beauty and Fashion in the Heian Period

Station: What tips did you give a Heian woman about how to apply cosmetics?

- Shave off her eyebrows
- Powder her face all-white
- Brush teeth with charcoal to turn them black (or use dye)

How was a person judged during the Heian period?
By their family rank and by their looks

Section 7: Sculpture and Painting During the Heian period

Station: Which work of art did you praise (painting 1 or painting 2)? Why?

Painting 2, because it is filled-in with bright colors

How did the process of carving statues change during this period?
Carvers could use several separate pieces of wood and join them together

How did painting change during this period?
Moved away from religious scenes and started painting landscapes, people, and stories
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Section 8: Writing and Literature During the Heian period

Station: Which book did you borrow from the nobleman? Why?

The Tale of Genji because it is the book about a fictional prince.

Explain how poetry was part of daily life in Heian-kyo:

You were expected to give poems to friends and family members.

Identify three reasons why the Tale of Genji is significant even today:

1) World’s 1st novel
2) Considered a literature masterpiece
3) Is the model for modern romance novels

Section 9: The end of the Heian Period

Station: What should your attitude toward the poor be, if you want the aristocrats to accept you?

Look down on workers and peasants

List three reasons why the Heian Period came to an end:

4) Tax-free lands so government could not get funds
5) Government too weak to enforce laws
6) Conflicts between local land lords