

## Q.T.I.P.S. Strategy for Interpreting Maps, Charts and Graphs

**Q-** Read the Question.

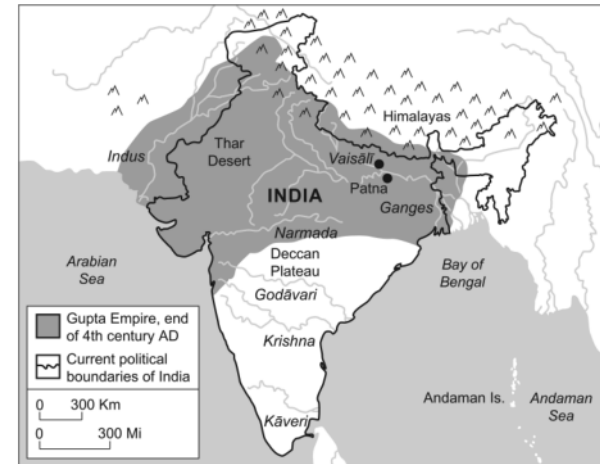
**T-** What is the Title for the map, chart or graph?

**I-** What Information is available on the map, chart or graph?

**P-** Use Prior knowledge.

**S-** Summarize the information from map, chart or graph and answer the question.

Base your answer to the following question on the map below and on your knowledge of social studies.



Source: MSN Encarta Encyclopedia (adapted)

Which geographic feature would have most likely hindered the expansion of the Guptas into what is modern-day China?

- a) Thar Desert
- b) Deccan Plateau
- \*c) Himalaya Mountains
- d) Bay of Bengal

<b>Question</b>	What FEATURE hindered expansion of the Guptas into China?
<b>Title</b>	No title
<b>Information</b>	It is a map of India showing the Gupta Empire and the boundary of China. It also has landforms like the Thar Desert, Deccan Plateau and Himalaya Mountains.
<b>Prior Knowledge</b>	The Himalaya Mountains are the highest mountain chain in the world and they are in Northern India and Southern China.
<b>Summary</b>	The Himalayas form a border between India and were a barrier for the Gupta expansion.

