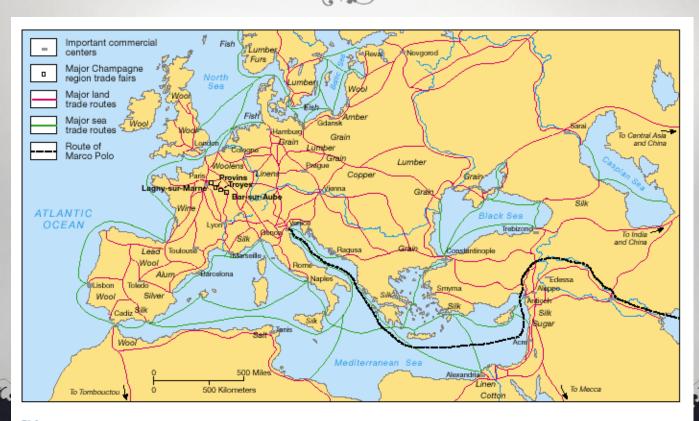
## THINK AND WRITE: WHY WOULD TRADE INCREASE DURING THE CRUSADES?



Medieval Trade Networks. Italian, Flemish, and German merchants tied northern and southern Europe to the eastern Mediterranean and beyond through networks of trade routes and markets that crossed religious, cultural, and political boundaries.

