***India’s First Empires Reading Guide***

**Name** (A/B):

**Due**: 2/3/16:

Answer the following questions on a separate sheet of paper:

1. How did **Chandragupta** **Maurya** unify his empire? How did he pay for this?
2. What did **Kautilya’s** book tell Chandragupta to do?
3. Why was **Chandragupta** paranoid? How did he **protect** himself?
4. What did **Asoka** do to promote **Buddhism** in his empire?
5. How do you think the period of **turmoil** impacted **religions** in India?
6. What did daily life look like in the **Gupta** **Empire**?
7. What caused the fall of the **Gupta** **Empire**?
8. Using what you learned in class today, draw a **Venn** **diagram** to compare **Hinduism** and **Buddhism**. Think about: goals, afterlife, terminology, origins, etc.