15.2 The Rule of the Safavids – Reading Check Questions (pp. 468-471)

1. What led to the fighting between the Ottomans and the Safavids?

2. How did the Safavid Empire reach its pinnacle under Shah Abbas? Why did it decline after his death?

3. Describe the shah's power and its effect on society.

4. What subjects were portraits were portrayed in many works of art from the Safavid Era?