



Medieval Era

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Mr. Smith's Class

Global History and Geography 9

The Dark Ages

I. The Fall of Rome



Goth Warrior

- ◆ brought an end to order and progress in Western _____
- ◆ _____, _____ and _____ were abandoned, and were replaced by an era of constant _____
- ◆ 476 AD to 1066 AD is known as “_____” or “_____”
- ◆ historians often compare the Dark Ages of Europe to the disruption of the Three Kingdoms Era in China following the fall of the Han Empire in China
- ◆ throughout the Dark Ages, Eastern Europe escaped this chaos through the order of the _____ Empire

II. Germanic Kingdoms Arise

- ◆ the Germanic tribes, or _____, that invade Roman territory staked their claim to small territories in W. Europe:
 - _____ in Spain
 - _____ in Germany
 - _____ in Britain
 - _____ in Italy
 - _____ and _____ in the Balkans
 - _____ in France/W. Germany
- ◆ these tribes were constantly warring against each other

III. The Frankish Kingdom



Charlemagne

- ◆ _____ rise to dominate W. Europe (France mostly)
- ◆ first king, _____ converts to Christianity to set himself apart from other German kings
- ◆ _____ fought off the _____, Muslim armies that had conquered Spain and had invaded France:
 - he led the Franks to victory at the _____
 - this stopped Muslim expansion into Europe
- ◆ _____ ruled the Frank kingdom at its height
 - name means “_____”
 - great military leader...defeated _____, _____, _____ and _____
 - he gained control of Northern _____ and Rome

- Charlemagne was named “ _____”
by the Pope....Frank Kingdom became
“THE HOLY ROMAN EMPIRE”
- created _____ (church counties) and
_____to support the Catholic Church
- asked Catholic _____to educate his citizens and
to work as government officials(they are literate)

◆Treaty of _____: Charlemagne’s _____weakened the Frankish Kingdom by dividing it into ____pieces

IV. The Return of Chaos(the second wave of the Dark Ages)

◆emerging groups brought disorder back to Western Europe:

- _____(Muslims) in Spain and Italy
- _____in the Balkans(Southeastern Europe),
- _____in the rest of Europe

◆Vikings

- originate in _____
- worked in small bands to invade Europe using sturdy “longboats” or “ _____” carry them as far as Constantinople and N. America
- they could sack any settlement near _____....both on Ocean and Sea coasts and along rivers
- some stayed in conquered areas or demanded _____ (extortion payments) from locals

◆with the return of chaos and war brought on by invaders such as the Vikings, people turned to warlords(who eventually became known as just _____)



Viking Warrior



Viking longboat

