

Chapter 5 Quiz

LIGHT IN THE DARK AGES

1. As the Roman Empire fell into a greater state of decline, the institution of _____ was on the rise. [2 points]
2. The Franks were the ancestors of modern _____ and, under the leadership of the chieftain _____, were the first Germanic tribe to convert to Christianity. [2 points each blank]
3. What was a decided advantage that Attila the Hun had over his Roman adversaries? [3 points]
 - a. He had the support of the Byzantine army.
 - b. He had been held hostage in Rome, spoke Latin, and knew Rome's weaknesses.
 - c. He was more charismatic than Rome's rulers and easily won support from Roman citizens.
 - d. During the time Atilla was on the march, there were no Popes to oppose him.
4. What were two of the interpretations of the fall of Rome? [3 points each blank]
 - a.
 - b.

5. What four characteristics identify monasticism? [3 points each blank]
- a.
 - b.
 - c.
 - d.
6. _____ monks lived in loosely organized groups, while _____ monks lived in a community. [2 points each blank]
7. What type of labor did the Rule of St. Benedict require the monks to do? [4 points]
- a. farming
 - b. teaching
 - c. copying manuscripts
 - d. No type of labor was specified.
8. List the vows taken by Benedictine monks. [2 points each blank]
- a.
 - b.
 - c.

9. What great triple purpose did the monasteries serve for the Church? [3 points each blank]
- a.
 - b.
 - c.
10. Many point to the reign of Pope St. Gregory the Great as the beginning of the historical era known as _____. [2 points]
11. What were the *scriptoria*, and what vital need did they fill? [3 points]
- a. They were writing rooms where Benedictine monks copied and maintained great literary works.
 - b. They were day-care centers for the children of poor peasants.
 - c. They were hospitals for those who could not afford care.
 - d. They were the precursors to the first universities.
12. What contribution of the monastic movement gave us musical notation? [3 points]
- a. The Liturgy of the Hours
 - b. Vespers
 - c. Gregorian Chant
 - d. Compline

13. List the five pillars of Islam.

[3 points each blank]

a.

b.

c.

d.

e.

14. Match the following weekly holy day to the religion that observes it:

Friday

Saturday

Sunday

[2 points each]

a. _____ Christianity

b. _____ Islam

c. _____ Judaism

15. Which city is holy to Jews, Christians, and Muslims?

[3 points]

a. Rome

b. Mecca

c. Alexandria

d. Jerusalem

16. What are the three holiest cities for Islam?

[3 points each blank]

a.

b.

c.

17. Who is the common ancestor of Christians, Jews, and Muslims?

[3 points]

a. Abraham

b. Isaac

c. Ishmael

d. Moses

18. Herod's Temple was destroyed AD _____ by the _____.

On its site now stands...

[3 points each blank]

a. the Dome of the Rock Mosque.

b. St. Peter's Basilica.

c. St. Basil's Cathedral.

d. The Church of the Nativity.