

Section 19 & 20 Study Questions World History & Geography I

Please write the question and your answers in complete sentences.

Section 19

1. What were the Dark Ages? How did they get this name?
2. Where was the Byzantine Empire located and how did it get its start?
3. What modern religion is located in the lands of the old Byzantine Empire?
4. Why weren't the Barbarians, or Germanic tribes, able to build nations and empires?
5. Why did the populations of cities decline in Europe during the Dark Ages?
6. What made the Roman Catholic Church the strongest civilizing force in Europe during the Dark Ages?
7. How did the Vikings affect Europe?

Section 20

8. Where did the country of France get its name?
9. How did Charlemagne help to preserve Western civilization?
10. How did a French Duke become the king of England? Why did the Normans need castles after the Norman Conquest?
11. What was the purpose of feudalism in Europe and how was it similar to the caste system of India?
12. What new technology made it possible for knights to wear heavy armor while fighting from horseback?
13. How were the Iliad and the Odyssey similar to the legend of King Arthur?
14. Why did craftsmen of the Middle Ages form guilds?