

Guided Lesson Notes

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The Fall of Rome

Directions: Complete this study guide as you move through the lesson. By taking notes, you are more likely to remember what you are learning. The completed study guide can be used for practice activities and to prepare for quizzes and exams. Be sure to save each study guide so you can access it when you need it.

Essential Vocabulary

As you encounter these World History terms in the lesson, enter the meaning and an example (or two) for each. You can even draw a picture. If there are other unfamiliar words you find, enter them in the blank spaces provided.

<i>appropriate</i>	<i>barter</i>
<i>currency</i>	<i>inflation</i>
<i>barbarians</i>	<i>pagan</i>

When in Rome...

1. Why do historians believe life in ancient Rome was difficult for most citizens despite its impressive architecture?

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2. What dangers did the poet Juvenal describe living in the city of Rome?

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3. How did the living conditions of wealthy Romans differ from those of average citizens?

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Heading for a Fall

Money and the Fall of Rome		
<i>K – What you Know</i>	<i>W – Want to Know</i>	<i>L – What you Learn</i>

Money Matters

Match each term with its correct description.

Letter Match : Term		Description
	Barter System	a. A situation where the value of money decreases and prices increases.
	Currency System	b. A system where goods and services are exchanged directly without using money.
	Inflation	c. The expensive effort to expand and control vast government.
	Empire Maintenance	d. The use of money to carry out economic transactions in a large empire.

The Beginning of the End

3 Facts
2 Questions
1 Comment

Romans vs. Goths (and Visigoths)

<input type="checkbox"/> True <input type="checkbox"/> False	1. The Goths were considered a major threat to Rome throughout the entire history of the Roman Empire.
<input type="checkbox"/> True <input type="checkbox"/> False	2. Emperor Honorius ordered Stilicho's execution because he believed Stilicho was planning to take the throne.
<input type="checkbox"/> True <input type="checkbox"/> False	3. After Stilicho's death, many Goths who had been living peacefully in Rome joined Alaric's army.

Last Days of the Empire

1. Why was Rome left defenseless when Visigoths attacked in 410 CE?

2. How did Emperor Honorius respond to the threat of the Visigoth invasion?

After the Fall

Main Idea/ Big Concept Summarize the central idea in 1–2 sentences.	
Key Facts/ Supporting Details Use bullet points to list important facts, dates, terms, or examples.	
Vocabulary/ Terms to Know Define important terms or concepts mentioned.	

Christianity in Rome, Before and After the Fall

<input type="checkbox"/> True <input type="checkbox"/> False	1. In early Roman religion, only priests from the wealthy class could perform rituals to communicate with the gods.
<input type="checkbox"/> True <input type="checkbox"/> False	2. Christianity spread quickly in Rome because it was originally promoted by the emperor.
<input type="checkbox"/> True <input type="checkbox"/> False	3. The Edict of Milan made Christianity a tolerated religion in the Roman Empire.

A New Roman Empire?

Did Rome come back after 400 years? Write a compelling 5–7 sentence summary detailing the influence of Charlemagne and the Roman Catholic Church.