Ancient Rome Study Guide

Directions: By the time of our test on Ancient Rome, you should be able to answer these questions & explain these concepts.

**Ancient Roman Government**

1. Which form of government happened first, the Roman Republic or the Roman Empire?
2. What is a republic?
3. What is an empire?
4. What are consuls and how many were there?
5. What was the Senate?
6. What were the Laws of the 12 Tables?  
     
   Infer: What is our country’s version of the Laws of the 12 Tables?
7. What famous person is responsible for the switch from a republic to a empire?

**Ancient Roman Social Class**

1. What is the difference between a plebeian and a patrician?
2. Who is at the top of the social pyramid?
3. Who is at the bottom of the social pyramid?

**Ancient Rome Daily Life**

1. What is a gladiator?
2. What is the Colosseum?
3. Explain the difference between the plebeians and the patricians in terms of…  
   Food=  
     
   Schooling=

**Ancient Rome Religion**

1. What were the 3 different religions of ancient Rome?
2. What other civilization did the ancient Romans get their gods/goddesses from?
3. Which religion came first: Judaism or Christianity?
4. If polytheism is the belief in many gods, then what is the meaning of monotheism?
5. In the beginning, how were Christians treated by the Roman Empire?
6. Who is Constantine?  
     
   What does he do that changes how Christians were treated by the Roman Empire?

**Ancient Roman Inventions**

1. What was the impact of the creation of roads?
2. What example of irrigation did the ancient Romans create that helps them have plumbing, toilets, and easier access to water?
3. What did the ancient Romans invent that we can see used in making the Colosseum and the Roman Aqueduct?

**Fall of Ancient Rome**

1. Ancient Rome was split into 2 sides, the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ side and the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ side, which was also called the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Empire.
2. What do corruption, bad emperors, and high taxes have to do with the fall of Rome?
3. Another thing that led to the fall of Rome is barbarians. Who are they? What’d they do? Why?