

STUDY GUIDE FOR UNIT TEST 4: RISE OF ISLAM/ THE BYZANTINE EMPIRE / MEDIEVAL EUROPE

How To Study: Your class notes are your best resource for studying. You may also use your textbook.

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| • The Muslim World (260-281) | • The Byzantine Empire (301-306) | • European Middle Ages (350-375) | • Glossary (p. R40) |
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Format: 40-45 multiple-choice questions

Part I – Key Terms: Define the following key terms.

Mecca		Great Schism	
Muhammad		icons	
Hijrah		Cyrillic alphabet	
Five Pillars		monasteries	
mosque		Charlemagne	
hajj		feudalism	
Qur'an		manor/manorialism	
Shari'a		lord/vassal	
caliph/caliphate		knight	
calligraphy		chivalry	
Constantinople		serf	
Justinian/ Justinian Code		clergy	
Hagia Sophia		canon law	

Part II – Study Questions: Write a full paragraph (at least 5 sentences) in response to each question.

- 1) Describe the geography of the Middle East and the Arabian Peninsula. Describe the importance of the city of Mecca before the rise of Islam.

- 2) Describe Muhammad and his rise to power. Explain how the Islamic caliphates gained, consolidated and maintained power after the death of Muhammad.

- 3) Describe the beliefs and practices of Islam. What characteristics does it share with Judaism and Christianity?

- 4) Explain why the Abbasid Caliphate is considered a Golden Age. Include accomplishments that were made in at least 3 different areas and provide examples for each.

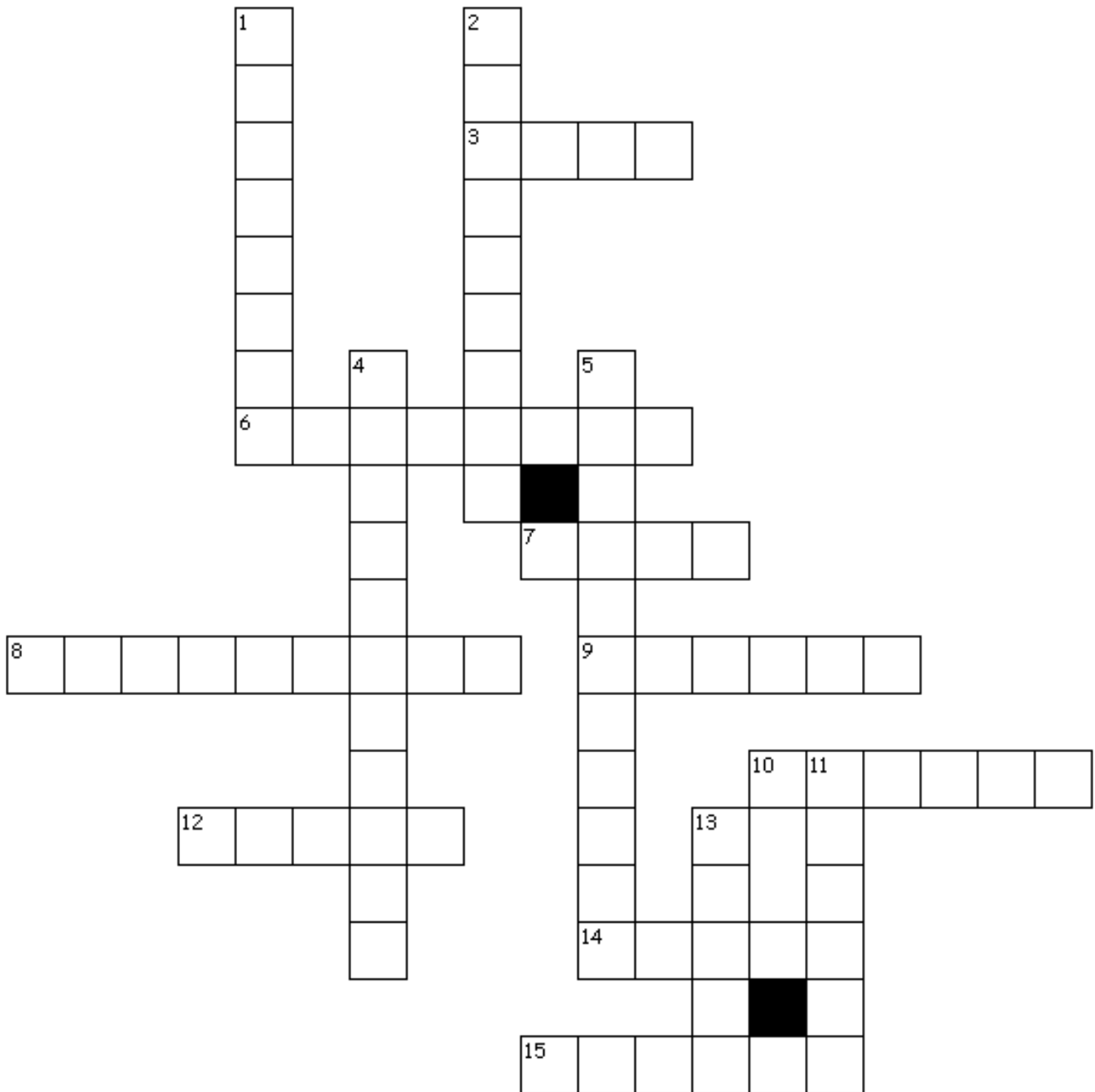
5) Describe the geography, accomplishments, and significance (lasting impact) of the Byzantine Empire.

6) Describe the key characteristics of Western Europe during the Middle Ages. How was it different than Eastern Europe? What was accomplished during the rule of Charlemagne?

7) Explain the systems of feudalism and manorialism that helped structure Western Europe in the Middle Ages.

8) Describe the role that the Church played in Western European life during the Middle Ages.

Part III – Crossword Puzzle: Complete the puzzle.



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- 3. a medieval peasant legally bound to live on a lord's estate
- 6. a code of behavior for knights
- 7. the pilgrimage to Mecca
- 8. a political system based exchanges of land and loyalty
- 9. one of the two main divisions of Islam
- 10. body of law governing the lives of Muslims
- 12. sacred scriptures of Islam
- 14. a lord's estate in feudal Europe
- 15. a Muslim ruler

Down

- 1. Byzantine alphabet, still used in Eastern Europe today
- 2. he ruled the Byzantine Empire from 527 to 565
- 4. duties you must carry out as a Muslim
- 5. break between Catholic and Orthodox Churches in 1054
- 11. Muhammad's trip from Mecca to Medina in 622
- 13. one of the two main divisions of Islam