

## 11.2 Birth of the Middle Ages (pp. 340-347)

**Section Outline:** Complete the section outline as you read. Remember that an outline contains the most important facts from a reading, and is not usually written in complete sentences. An outline can be a way of creating organized notes.

- A New Empire
- Emperors and Invaders
  - The Invasion of England
- Feudalism
  - Serfs and Manors
  - A Hard Life
  - The Code of Knighthood
- The Magna Carta

**Reading Check Questions:** Answer the following questions as you read the text.

1. What is the importance of the Battle of Tours?
2. How did Europe change after the death of Charlemagne?
3. How did life improve after the year 1000?
4. Why did King John sign the Magna Carta?