

The Byzantine Empire – Quiz

Directions: Select the best possible answer from the given options.

ANSWER KEY

1. What city served as the capital of the Byzantine Empire?
 - a. Adrianople
 - b. Ankara
 - c. Constantinople**
 - d. Nicodemia
2. Which of the following modern countries was **not** part of the Byzantine Empire?
 - a. Bulgaria
 - b. Egypt
 - c. France
 - d. Germany**
3. What Eastern Roman emperor assumed the throne in 527 C.E.?
 - a. Anastasius I
 - b. Justinian I**
 - c. Romulus Augustus
 - d. Theodoric the Great
4. A Byzantine-made version of the ancient Roman legal code became known as the _____.
 - a. Byzantine Constitution
 - b. Justinian Code**
 - c. Ten Commandments
 - d. Twelve Tables
5. What group conquered Constantinople in 1453?
 - a. Bulgarians
 - b. Greco-Romans
 - c. Kievan Rus
 - d. Ottomans**
6. What was the state religion of the Eastern Roman Empire circa 1300?
 - a. Eastern Orthodoxy**
 - b. Hasidic Judaism
 - c. Roman Catholicism
 - d. Shi'ite Islam
7. The city of Constantinople is now called _____.
 - a. Athens
 - b. Byzantium
 - c. Istanbul**
 - d. Sarajevo
8. Which of the following was **not** a Byzantine invention?
 - a. cannon**
 - b. flamethrower
 - c. grenade
 - d. hand-trebuchet
9. What was the state language of the Eastern Roman Empire after the 7th century?
 - a. Arabic
 - b. Greek**
 - c. Latin
 - d. Russian
10. What renowned church was built by Emperor Justinian in the sixth century?
 - a. Canterbury Cathedral
 - b. Hagia Sophia**
 - c. Notre Dame
 - d. St. Peter's Basilica