

# Guided Reading Activity

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## The Byzantine Empire and Emerging Europe

### Lesson 4 *The Age of Charlemagne*

#### Review Questions

**Directions:** Read the lesson and complete the outline below. Refer to your textbook to fill in the blanks.

#### I. The New Germanic Kingdoms

- A.** The kingdom of the Ostrogoths in \_\_\_\_\_ and the kingdom of the Visigoths in \_\_\_\_\_ retained the \_\_\_\_\_ structure of government.
- B.** Clovis established the \_\_\_\_\_ kingdom that included modern-day \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.
- C.** The Germanic culture emphasized \_\_\_\_\_ which was dominated by males who made decisions and offered \_\_\_\_\_.
- D.** Germanic law punished murder with a fine called the \_\_\_\_\_, which the wrongdoer paid to the family of the victim.
- E.** Guilt was determined by an \_\_\_\_\_, involving a physical trial in which they believed an innocent person would be protected by \_\_\_\_\_.

#### II. The Carolingian Empire

- A.** \_\_\_\_\_, son of Pepin, was a pious Christian who established the \_\_\_\_\_ Empire in western Europe.
- B.** Charlemagne maintained his empire through local \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_, or messengers of the lord king, who made sure that the counts followed the king's wishes.
- C.** As Charlemagne's empire grew, he assumed a new title, \_\_\_\_\_; he was crowned in the year \_\_\_\_\_.
- D.** Charlemagne unified the \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ elements in the Carolingian Empire.
- E.** He created an empire that stretched from the North Sea to \_\_\_\_\_ in the south, and from \_\_\_\_\_ in the west to Vienna.
- F.** Charlemagne's desire to promote \_\_\_\_\_ led to an intellectual revival known as the Carolingian \_\_\_\_\_.

# Guided Reading Activity *Cont.*



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**G.** This period of revival took place chiefly in \_\_\_\_\_, where monks copied classical \_\_\_\_\_ texts; approximately \_\_\_\_\_ of these manuscripts survive today.

### Summary and Reflection

**Directions:** Summarize the main ideas of this lesson by answering the question below.

How does Germanic culture compare and contrast with Roman culture?

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