

Benchmark #1 Flash Cards

Rome, Islam, & Africa Units

Instructions

- I have provided you with a list of terms & ideas that you will need to study for your Benchmark.
- Print out the flash cards & define the words on the back of each card.
- Quiz yourself by seeing if you can define each word or read the definition and see if you can identify the word it relates to.

RISE & FALL OF ROME

Roman Republic	Roman Empire	Julius Caesar
Augustus (formerly Octavian)	Constantine	Diocletian
Roads	Aqueducts	Coliseum

Pax Romana	Roman Senate	Punic Wars
Roman Legions	Great Schism	Catholic Church
Eastern Orthodox Church	Mercenaries	Germanic tribes (barbarians)

Western Roman Empire	Eastern Roman Empire (Byzantine Empire)	Roman Strengths (What were they?)
Fall of Rome (Reasons for it)	Constantinople (city)	Rome (city)
Christianity		

GROWTH & SPREAD OF ISLAM

Muhammad	Prophet	Mecca
Kabah	Medina	Hijrah
Qur'an	Allah (God)	Gabriel (the angel)

Arabian Peninsula (Arabia)	Oasis	Nomad
City-Dweller	Sedentary	Bedouin
Sunnah	5 Pillars of Islam	Mosque

Caliph	Umayyad Dynasty	Abbasid Dynasty
Cordoba (city in Spain for Umayyads)	Seljuk Turks	Two branches of Islam (name them)
Jihad	Muslim Achievements	Suqs

WEST AFRICA IN THE MIDDLE AGES

Geographic zones in Africa (name the 3 types)	Caravan	Trade Goods in West Africa
Sahara Desert	Niger River	Trans-Saharan Caravan Trade
Ghana (3-5 details)	Mali (3-5 details)	Songhai (3-5 details)

Berbers	Mansa Musa	Askia Muhammad
Spread of Islam to West Africa (How?)	Kinship	Labor Specialization
Oral Traditions	Griots	Growth of Islam & Arabic (explain)

Matriarchal (hint: think of "madre")	Patriarchal (hint: think of "padre")	Growth of cities in West Africa (explain how it happened)
Timbuktu		

**BLANK FLASH CARDS (IN CASE YOU
WANT TO CREATE MORE)**

