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Chapter 9 Early Middle Ages Study Guide

1. What are the highest mountains in Europe?
2. What is the name of the large landmass that includes both Europe and Asia?
3. Which is the largest peninsula in Europe?
4. What refers to the shape and elevation of land in a region?
5. What is considered to be the boundary between Europe and Asia?
6. The _____ gets its name from the fact that it falls between ancient times and the modern period.
7. In the 500s a powerful group known as the _____ conquered Gaul, the region we now call France.
8. Popes sent many _____ to teach people in the northern European kingdoms about Christianity.
9. Europeans lived in fear of attacks by the Vikings, who were from _____.
10. One of the first missionaries to travel to northern Europe, _____ converted many people in Britain and Ireland.
11. _____ was the first king of the Franks to convert to Christianity.
12. _____ helped the poor and needy, ran schools, and collected ancient Greek and Roman writings.
13. _____, or communities of monks were built all over Europe in the Middle Ages.
14. While the Franks were building their empire, _____, Magyar, and Viking invaders were attacking settlements across Europe.
15. A brilliant warrior and a strong king, _____, led the Franks to conquer much of what once was the Roman Empire.

What are the answers to the following statements.

16. This system of promises governed relationships between lords and vassals.
17. These medieval laborers could not leave their land without the lord's permission.
18. Knights received these pieces of land in return for their military service to a lord.
19. French noblewoman who had great political power during the early Middle Ages
20. Lords often built these buildings with strong walls so that they could easily be defended.
21. These usually consisted of a large house, pastures, fields, forests, and a village.
22. These people started feudalism in Europe.
23. Over time, the growth of this led to the decline of feudalism in Europe.
24. He became the new English king and rewarded his knights with large estates.
25. A noble who gave land to a vassal in exchange for military service.
26. The feudal systems in _____ and Japan were very similar.
27. Both knights and _____ had to swear vows of loyalty to their lord.
28. The only real _____ between European and Japanese societies at this time was religion and culture.
29. The daimyo in Japan were very similar to the _____ in Europe.
30. Chivalry is the code of honorable behavior for _____.