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Self-quiz with Vocabulary Practice

Ancient Rome and the Rise of Christianity (509 B.C.–A.D. 476) The Roman World Takes Shape

Results of the quiz.

1. The act of blocking laws was called a

CORRECT: veto.

EXPLANATION: The Roman tribunes could block a law they felt was harmful to plebeians through a **veto**.

2. Roman gods and goddesses were adapted from those of which people?

CORRECT: Greeks

EXPLANATION: The Romans believed in numerous gods and goddesses, many of whom they adapted from Greek religion.

In what from of government do people chose some of the officials?CORRECT: a republic

EXPLANATION: In a **republic**, the people chose some of the officials.

4. How was the power of Roman consuls limited?

CORRECT: They served only one term and approved each other's decisions. **EXPLANATION**: Consuls could serve only one term and were expected to approve each other's decisions.

5. Which elements of Etruscan civilization were adopted by the Romans? **CORRECT**: the alphabet and the arch

EXPLANATION: The Romans adapted the alphabet that the Etruscans had acquired from the Greeks as well as the Etruscan use of the arch in construction.

6. The ancestors of the Romans were the

CORRECT: Latins.

EXPLANATION: By about 800 B.C., the ancestors of the Romans, called the Latins, migrated into Italy.

7. Which two people supervised the business of government and commanded the Roman armies?

CORRECT: the consuls

EXPLANATION: Each year, the senators nominated two **consuls** from the patrician class to supervise the government and command the armies.

8. In times of war, a dictator might be put in power for a period of **CORRECT**: six months.

EXPLANATION: In the event of war, the senate might choose a dictator who was granted power to rule for six months.

9. Roman farmers, merchants, artisans and traders were known as **CORRECT**: plebians.

EXPLANATION: **Plebeians** were the farmers, merchants, artisans, and traders whom made up the bulk of the Roman population and had little influence.

10. Members of the Roman landholding upper class were called

CORRECT: patricians.

EXPLANATION: Patricians were members of the landholding upper class who, originally, were the only people who could serve as members of the senate.

You got 10 out of 10 correct.



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