

LEVEL V

Quick Check

The Roman Empire Faces Attila

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Instructions: Read each question carefully and choose the best answer.

- 1. What was the main cause of the Roman Empire's breakdown around AD 400?
 - (A) Because of its large size, the empire experienced difficulty staying united.
 - B Rome was destroyed by Gaul.
 - C Attila had been allowed to marry Honoria.
 - ① The Greeks triumphant rise to power caused the Roman Empire to divide.
- **2.** How could Honoria be described?
 - (A) dedicated
 - **B** scheming
 - © powerful
 - (D) caring

- 3. Why might Aetius have been relieved that the king of the Visigoths agreed to join his army?
 - (A) He knew Attila would not attack the Visigoths.
 - B He would be able to control Gaul.
 - (C) His army would now be closer in size to Attila's.
 - ① He hoped to stop Theodoric from giving away more gold.
- **4.** What happened after Attila became ruler of the Huns?
 - (A) Valens was killed in a battle with the Huns.
 - B The Huns lived in peace with the Romans.
 - © The Romans allowed the Visigoths to settle in the Roman Empire.
 - ① Attila became very angry that the Romans wouldn't send more gold.

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- 5. Why would the Romans living in Western Europe describe the Huns as merciless?
 - (A) They burned every city they attacked.
 - B They stole all the people's food.
 - (C) They killed children.
 - (D) All of the above
- **6.** What was the effect of the Battle of Chalons on Attila and the Roman Empire?
 - Attila never attacked the Western Roman Empire again.
 - B Attila retreated, and the Western Roman Empire was safe for a while.
 - ① Attila was killed, and his army retreated from the Western Roman Empire.
 - ① The Huns became rulers of Rome.

- 7. What likely surprised Attila after his army tried to take control of Gaul?
 - (A) He was defeated for the first time.
 - B Pope Leo I met him on the battlefield.
 - C Theodosius refused his demand for more gold.
 - ① The people living there gave up and he took control.
- **8.** Who had conquered most of Europe before the Huns attacked?
 - (A) the Goths
 - (B) the Romans
 - (C) the Greeks
 - ① the Turks
- 9. What does it mean to rampage?
 - (A) attack with anger and rage
 - B begin to take control of a country
 - © give in to an enemy
 - ① trick or mislead someone





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- 10. What was the main idea of the section titled "Attila and the Pope"?
 - (A) Attila killed Leo the Pope.
 - B The pope decided to meet with Attila.
 - C Attila left Italy peacefully after talking with Leo the Pope.
 - Pope Leo I became a famous and respected person.
- **11. Extended Response:** Explain two ways Attila's death caused the Huns' empire to collapse?
- 12. Extended Response: How did Theodosius II keep life in the Roman Empire mostly peaceful after he came into power in the 420s?



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Main Comprehension Skill: Sequence Events

- **1.** (A) Cause and Effect
- 2. (B) Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions
- **3.** (C) Cause and Effect
- **4.** ① Sequence Events
- **5.** ① Vocabulary
- **6.** (B) Cause and Effect
- 7. (A) Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions
- **8.** B Sequence Events
- **9.** A Vocabulary
- **10.** (C) Main Idea and Details
- 11. Answers should include two of the following facts: the Huns became divided; Germanic tribes could tell the Huns were becoming weaker; Attila's sons split the empire; only Attila could hold the empire together; the Huns could no longer control the Germanic tribes that they had ruled.
- 12. Answers should state that
 Theodosius II agreed to give
 more gold to the Huns, which
 kept the Huns from invading
 the Roman Empire.