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# Middle Ages: Europe - Answer Key

*Read each question and circle the correct answer.*

1. The word **barbarian** comes from Rome and means

- A. invaders from the east.
- B. long-haired warrior.
- C. friend of the empire.
- ☒ D. people who don't speak Latin.

2. Much of what we know about ancient Greece and Rome is due to the

- A. Vikings burning everything except for the libraries.
- B. sections of Rome that were saved from the barbarians.
- ☒ C. monks who preserved old texts.
- D. Germanic tribes who retained Greco-Roman culture.

3. The Vikings came from

- ☒ A. Scandinavia.
- B. the British Isles.
- C. what is now Germany.
- D. North America.

4. The Goths and Vandals were

- A. French-speaking people from the land of Gaul.
- ☒ B. Germanic tribes.
- C. from the area that is now Italy.
- D. from Mongolia.

5. Feudalism originally developed because

- A. the king needed serfs to work his fields.
- B. more food was needed after the bubonic plague.
- C. the knights went to fight the Crusades.
- ☒ D. people needed protection from invaders.

6. Who could not marry without first getting permission from their lord?

- A. peasants
- ☒ B. serfs
- C. knights
- D. squires

7. Feudalism faded away because the

- A. knights were mostly killed off in the Crusades.
- ☒ B. rise of economies meant that kings could hire warriors.
- C. plague killed most of the serfs.
- D. serfs led a successful uprising.

8. The famous proclamation made by Pope Urban II in 1095 asked for

- A. people to give land to the Church.
- B. help for poor and starving Christians.
- ☒ C. Christian soldiers to fight the Turks.
- D. an end to the Crusades.

9. The Magna Carter paved the way for

- ☒ A. the Bill of Rights.
- B. the split in the Catholic Church.
- C. British colonialism.
- D. the feminist movement.

10. The bubonic plague spread quickly because the

- A. hospitals were full and had to turn people away.
- B. antidotes were destroyed by the barbarian invaders.
- C. people were unaware they had it and kept passing it on to others.
- ☒ D. people had poor hygiene and bad food.