The Byzantine Empire Study Guide

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Vocabulary

- Byzantine Empire
- Strait
- Greek Fire
- Creed
- Icons
- Great Schism
- Apostolic succession
- Justinian's code
- Missionary
- Cyrillic alphabet

Historical People & Figures

- Justinian
- Theodora
- Constantine
- Iconoclasts
- Pope

Questions to Answer:

1. Identify and explain ways the Byzantines were different from the Romans.
2. Identify and explain why Constantinople was in an ideal position.
3. What was Justinian’s goal? Did he accomplish his goal? Why or why not?
4. What was the Great Schism? What caused the Great Schism?
5. What do the Roman Catholic Church and Eastern Orthodox Church have in common? What differences do they have?
6. What were the positives and negatives of Justinian’s code?
7. Identify and explain the two ways Byzantine culture spread.
8. What modern countries were greatly influenced by the Byzantines?