The Fall of Rome

Directions: Answering Questions  
Reading the section and completing the questions below will help you learn about the fall of Rome. Refer to your textbook to answer the questions.

1. After the last Severan ruler died, who fought for the throne?

2. Why did Roman coins decrease in value during the A.D. 200s?

3. What was the problem with using Germanic soldiers in the Roman army?

4. What specific reform did Diocletian introduce to make it easier to rule the vast empire of Rome?

5. Constantine’s new capital, Constantinople, was built on the site of what Greek city?

6. What happened to the Roman Empire in A.D. 395?

7. How were Germanic groups able to cross into Gaul in A.D. 406?

8. What event do historians often use to mark the end of the Western Roman Empire?

9. What Roman beliefs and practices did Europe’s Germanic rulers adopt?

10. Name three ways that Roman ideas about law still influence us today.