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**The Birth of Islam, the West in
the Middle Ages, and the Rest**

Foundation of Civilizations 9

Note: all of the following information in addition to your reading is important.

The Birth of Islam

- Describe the Bedouins advantageous location in terms of trade and religion (include Mecca, the Kaaba, and Allah) – _____

- Describe Muhammad Ibn Abdullah (570-632 CE), and his revelations written in the Qur'an – _____

- Briefly discuss how Islam is an Abrahamic faith, why the followers are called Muslims, and the concept of umma – _____

- Identify and briefly describe the Five Pillars of Islam, as well as jihad – _____

- Briefly discuss how the Islamic community grew in power up through 632 CE – _____

- Define sharia, and explain how it is different from the law in Christendom – _____

- Describe how Islam expanded through contagious diffusion as well as hierarchical diffusion – _____

- Briefly explain why many Jews, Christians, and Zoroastrians converted to Islam – _____

• Briefly explain the split (schism) between Sunni and Shia Muslims – _____

• Describe the Sufis in terms of their beliefs and practices – _____

• Compare the rights and treatment of women in Islamic societies with most of the other patriarchal third-wave societies – _____

Western Christendom in the Early Middle Ages

• Describe how Charlemagne established the largest European empire during the Middle Ages - _____

• Define: feudalism, and describe social hierarchy that was established in Medieval Europe – _____

• Define: manorialism, and describe the economic system established in Medieval Europe – _____

• Define: Medieval Warm Period, and describe its impact – _____

The Americas During the Classical and Post-Classical Eras

• Contrast the Afro-Eurasian advantages of geography and resources with those of the Americas – _____

• Contrast the civilizations of South America with the societies that developed in North America during the Classical and Post-Classical Eras – _____