

CHAPTER 9 READING QUESTIONS – “ Civilization in Eastern Europe: Byzantium and Orthodox Europe”

_____ 1. Which of the following does NOT REPRESENT a difference between the spread of civilization in eastern and western Europe?

- A) Civilization spread northward in the case of eastern Europe, but to the south in western Europe.
- B) During most of the postclassical period, major portions of eastern Europe were significantly more advanced in political organization.
- C) Eastern Europe maintained important features of the late Roman Empire directly, whereas Western leaders turned to much more selective borrowing.
- D) The forms of Christianity adopted in eastern and western Europe differed.

_____ 2. What people provided the most serious challenge to Byzantine authority in the Balkan peninsula?

- A) The Magyars
- B) The Huns
- C) The Arab Muslims
- D) The Bulgars

_____ 3. Which of the following statements concerning urbanization in the Byzantine Empire is NOT accurate?

- A) Like China, the Byzantine Empire was heavily urbanized with many cities numbering more than 100,000.
- B) Constantinople controlled the economy and grew to enormous size.
- C) Aside from Constantinople, other cities in the Byzantine Empire were relatively small.
- D) Older urban centers, such as Athens, declined during the Byzantine Empire.

_____ 4. Cyril and Methodius were responsible for what accomplishment?

- A) The ending of the iconoclastic controversy
- B) The creation of a written script for the Slavic language
- C) The conversion of Poland and Czechoslovakia to Orthodox Christianity
- D) The conversion of Poland and Czechoslovakia to Roman Catholicism

_____ 5. When did the Mongols conquer Kievan Russia?

- A) 1061
- B) 1071
- C) 1237
- D) 1453