

## Section 17 & 18 Study Questions World History & Geography I

Please write the question and your answers in complete sentences.

### Section 17

1. Why did the Phoenicians develop an alphabet? How did it become the alphabet we use today?
2. Where and when was the religion of Christianity born? What does it have to do with the modern calendar?
3. How did use of the Roman arch allow buildings to become much more practical?
4. Why does the ancient city of Pompeii give us a unique picture of daily life in the Roman Empire?
5. What is the connection between the decadence of the Roman Empire and the Colosseum in ancient Rome? What is meant by the term, "Bread and Circuses?"

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### Section 18

6. How did the emperor Nero demonstrate the weakness of a government system which selects its rulers based on royal birth?
7. The Roman emperor Constantine is best remembered for two specific actions he took during his reign. What were they?
8. How did citizens of the Roman Empire look upon the Barbarians? How do you think the so-called Barbarians looked upon the Roman Empire?
9. What happened to Western civilization when Rome fell in 476 A.D.?
10. What is a dialectic? According to the philosopher Georg Hegel, what does dialectic have to do with history?