## History Channel: The Byzantines, Engineering an Empire

- What did the Byzantines call themselves and why? 1)
- Where did the Byzantines settle? 2)
- Constantine I was able to unify which lands under his Eastern Roman Empire? 3)
- 4) What name does Constantine give to the new capital he wished to establish in modern day Turkey?
- 5) What religion does Constantine establish within his new empire?
- What is the fundamental architectural problem in the Byzantine Empire around the time of Constantine's 6) death?
- What was Emperor Valen's ambitious project? 7)
- What is the current name of Constantinople, modern day Turkey's largest city? 8)
- 9) What public work project, connected to the Aqueducts system, allowed the Byzantine Empire's population to grown exponentially?
- 10) While Western Rome fell to the Visigoths, what nomadic civilization was testing the Byzantine Empire's defense?
- 11) What architectural or engineering feat helped the Byzantines resist Hun invasions? What type of mortar or materials were used?
- 12) Was Atilla the Hun ever able to breach the lines of defensive walls?
- 13) What was the richest city during the time of the Byzantine Empire and why?
- 14) Which Byzantine Emperor would rule during the "Golden Age" of the Byzantines in from 483-565 CE?

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- 15) What was Justinian's social and economic background?
- 16) Who did Justinian marry and what was her social and economic background?
- 17) Justinian sought to reclaim the glory of ancient Rome. How did he plan on doing this?
- 18) What does Justinian plan on doing in terms of social upheaval within the Byzantine Empire?
- 19) What was the Hippodrome?
- 20) In 532 CE, what even happened to Justinian's Empire?
- 22) Who devised the plan about what to do with the Nikean Rebels who opposed Justinian's rule?
- 23) What church was created by Justinian and what was its name and what did it mean?
- 24) What central architecture feature did Justinian and his advisors plan to build as the largest of its kind?
- 25) The Hagia Sophia becomes the cultural center or capital of what religious world?
- 26) By the end of Justinian's rule, the Byzantine Empire encompassed what lands?
- 27) Although Justinian created these great architectural achievements, what problems never really allowed the Byzantine Empire to recover from?
- 28) Who was Basil II as the Byzantine Emperor?
- 29) What was the trebuchet that Basil implemented in warfare?
- 30) What Ottoman military advancement allowed for the fall of the Byzantine Empire?