World History First Semester Exam Review Sheet

**World Religions:**

• Know all of your cultural terms of religion

• Know the following items for all 5 Major World Religions

1. Human Origin

2. Geographical Origin

3. Religious Founders

4. Date it was founded

5. Holy Book

6. Place of Worship

7. Titles for Religious Leaders

8. Holy Cities

9. Name of God/gods

10. How is it spread

11. How does one receive salvation?

12. Unique Facts/History

13. Holidays

**Middle East Map and Europe Map**

1. Countries

2. Capitals

3. Bodies of Water and Mountains

**Roman Empire**

• Know both mythical and historical details on the founding of Rome (know Palatine, Etruscan etc

• Know Carthage and Rome’s military strengths

• Know who invented the corvus and how it advanced warfare

• Know the stages of Julius Caesar’s rise to power.

• Know words associated with Julius Caesar: Backstabber, Ides of March, Et Tu Brute, and crossing the Rubicon

• The story of how Julius Caesar was assassinated and who took over after his death

• Know the chronological order and accomplishments/infamy of the following Roman Emperors: Augustus, Nero, Trajan, and Constantine

• What does Pax Romana mean and who coined the phrase

• Know the role of the Coliseum in Roman culture

• Know the terms Patrician and Plebeians

• Know the difference between the Roman Republic and the Roman Empire

• Know the role of the gladiator

• Know the 10 theories of why Rome collapsed and how is it similar to our current culture in America

**Byzantine Empire**

• The Geography of Constantinople

• Emperor Constantine and the establishment of Constantinople

• Focus on Byzantine Art forms ie: mosaics

• Justinian I and his reign/accomplishments (Theodora)

• The architecture and purpose of the Hagia Sophia built by Justinian I

• Iconoclasts (pros and cons)

• Great Schism: know what it was, its significance and the date

• Define Catholic versus Orthodox and know the various aspects of their theology

• Byzantine trade (Silk Road) routes and why did Constantinople naturally lend itself to being the central hub of trade

**Dark/Middle Ages**

• The Vikings and their voyages (Eric the Red and Leif Ericson)

• How the Vikings later became known as the Normans (Rollo and Charles the Simple\_

• Know the people, events and dates that led to the Battle of Hastings and the crowing of William the Conqueror

* Know who Clovis the King of the Franks was and his major accomplishments

• Charlemagne, his goals as king and as the Holy Roman Emperor

• King John and the Magna Carta (know the date, what it achieved and its’ lasting impact on our current society)

• Feudal system/social hierarchy purposes and order

* Know about the Bubonic Plague, how it was spread and the consequences around Europe