**Fall of the Empire**

What factors might contribute to the disintegration of an empire as successful as Rome’s?

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Does the history of other civilizations already studied suggest a pattern of rise and decline?

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What crises faced the Roman Empire?

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Diocletian and Constantine try to save the empire.

* Impose a one man rule
* Took \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ more \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ from the people
* Ordered farmers to stay on land---kept food supplies high
* Government workers and artisans also had to keep their jobs for life
* Children were forced to follow their father’s occupation
* Raised taxes to a crippling level

Effects

* People lost \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Tax collectors had to pay the difference of money that they did not collect
* Many artisans and merchants were ruined financially
* Romans’ lost faith in the economy, caused a decline in city life

Division of the Empire

* \*\*\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_—Diocletian moved the Imperial Court to Asia Minor   
  and ruled from there
* Rome was no longer the center of the Empire
* \*\*\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_—Constantine built a new capital at Constantinople
* Made Christianity the official religion of Rome
* Issued the Edict of Milan

Consequences of Division

* Western Empire had to pay for troops and border defenses to keep out invaders.
* West could no longer depend on financial and military help from the wealthier Eastern regions
* The division of the Empire restored order, but it delayed the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ but it did not prevent it.

Barbarian Invasions

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Some Roman traditions carried on

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**Fall of Rome**

**Causes Effects**

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