

Roman empire was strangely peaceful
people who were conquered wanted to be Roman
Roman religion was adopted all over
cities and provinces
Roman Villas
whole western half primary language was Latin
French, Spanish and Italian language was descended from Latin
Greek was the language of learning

Military Conquest/ Cultural Assimilation

Historic King Arthur

-good Christian man

Gallo-Romans

-France

Governing the provinces

-governor was a former general who settled down after being retired

-pagus basic unit in which everything was provided

-receive justice, for plays, theaters, temples, in miniature with a wall all the way around it.

-origin in modern European cities

new people keep wandering in

Germanic tribes arriving

- continued wandering into France

- they announced becoming Roman

- some were problematic (Goths) (weird and different people)

- Anglos and Saxons settled in England

Roman Law

Developed and codified over time

Included: civil, criminal and all other types of law

these law codes were under the whole empire

any free citizen- any free person in the city

-ideas from their own background

Justinian law was justified law

Canon Law- much of Western half

Napoleon Law- Mexico is still under this

Latin Literature

Cicero

first century B.C
spoke out in the defense of the Republic
especially noted as an orator
speaking was admired
his specialty was rhetoric- part of trivium
-three parts: grammar, logic and rhetoric
Stoicism- new philosophies that came out of

the Hellenistic world

- doing your duty in a calm and moderate way
- learn self control

Ovid

on Love's- how to book and a spoof of how to books

Vergil

wrote the Anied - copied off of the The Iliad

Marcus Aurelius

good emperors
started as a fighter and became emperor
tried to become a philosopher king
follow ones duty
big follower of stoicism

cities under the empire

basic tensions between the rich and the poor

roman economy got a lil funky

no bringing enough slaves because of no war or conquering of
new territory

keep people happy by letting poor people watch gladiator fights
for free

hand out free bread to poor people so there would be less riots

Byzantium

-eastern part of the empire was centered where today's

Turkey is

-capital was Constantinople

-had tensions between east and west

- Roman empire Constantine left Rome because it was an
unpleasant place to live

-she went to Constantinople

- byzantine emperor with Justine Law

After the 1st century you would have two emperors one in Rome
and one in Constantinople

- no more independent emperors

-eastern emperors stopped existing after 5th century