

## Chapter 15 The Roman Empire

### Activity 1

Fill in the blank to form a summary of Chapter 14 by choosing the proper term from the words listed below.

Alaric	Diocletian	politics	at home
Praetorian Guard	Augustus	family	increasing prices
Public games	bathhouses	father	200
Circuses	Pater Patriae	Pax Romana	Germanic invaders
500	work		

Octavian took for himself the title of \_\_\_\_\_ and became the first \_\_\_\_\_ of the Roman Empire. He reorganized the government and brought to the empire a period of peace known as the \_\_\_\_\_. It lasted for \_\_\_\_\_ years.

In the empire, the \_\_\_\_\_ was important. The \_\_\_\_\_ was head of the household. The sons of the poor went to \_\_\_\_\_, while the sons of the wealthy went to schools to prepare for careers in \_\_\_\_\_, philosophy or medicine. Daughters of the wealthy had lessons \_\_\_\_\_ instead of going to school.

The Roman government staged free \_\_\_\_\_ to entertain the people in the cities. These activities included \_\_\_\_\_, chariot races and gladiatorial games. Romans also spend their leisure time socializing at public \_\_\_\_\_.

By 200 AD, conditions in the empire had worsened. Many emperors were murdered by the army or the \_\_\_\_\_. People had to pay higher taxes and suffered from \_\_\_\_\_. The emperors \_\_\_\_\_ and Constantine 1 tried to save the empire. However, neither succeeded. The empire faced attacks by \_\_\_\_\_. In 410 AD, the city of Rome itself fell to the chief \_\_\_\_\_ and his soldiers.

**Activity 2**

Read the definition for the word that you'll need to find.

- 1. made the same \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. type of hunt \_\_\_\_\_
- 3. population count \_\_\_\_\_
- 4. putting out for not paying rent \_\_\_\_\_
- 5. Social class of many gladiators \_\_\_\_\_
- 6. former slaves \_\_\_\_\_
- 7. Roman word for home \_\_\_\_\_
- 8. ruler of an empire \_\_\_\_\_
- 9. speech and writing \_\_\_\_\_
- 10. taxes on goods brought into a country \_\_\_\_\_
- 11. lawyers and legal writers who assisted Roman judges \_\_\_\_\_
- 12. country estates \_\_\_\_\_
- 13. period of ever-increasing prices \_\_\_\_\_
- 14. letters used as abbreviations for Anno Domini \_\_\_\_\_
- 15. Roman apartment houses \_\_\_\_\_
- 16. letters used for time period before Christ was born \_\_\_\_\_