

Name _____ Date _____ Class _____ Period _____

Questio _____

Fall of Rome Discussion Organizer

Group Directions: Working in your groups of four, you will spend five minutes discussing each of the following questions based on what you have studied about the decline of the Roman Empire. Each member of the group will speak for 45 seconds, during which time the other group members must listen carefully, without interrupting, and take notes in the appropriate section of the organizer. Then in the final two minutes, you may discuss freely as a group and record your final answer combining ideas from all group members.

Discussion Question #1
Is there a particular turning point that you feel marks the “Fall” of Rome, however you define it? Why do you feel this point was most significant?
Group Note Taking
Final Composite Response

Discussion Question #2
Do you think internal or external factors played a more significant role in the decline of the Roman Empire?
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Discussion Question #3

Do you think that the “Fall of Rome” was inevitable? Could it have been avoided? If so, how?

Group Note Taking

Final Composite Response

Discussion Question #4

Do you think the “Fall of Rome” should be understood as a collapse or a transformation? Explain.

Group Note Taking

Final Composite Response

Discussion Question #5

How well do you feel you and your group performed on this activity? What feedback could you give yourselves to improve in the future? What feedback could you give me to improve this activity?

Group Note Taking