

# Fall of Roman Empire

**AIM: What were the causes & results of the Fall of the Roman Empire?**

**476 AD**

**Do Now: What is a barbarian?**

**A barbarian is member of a people considered by those of another nation or group to have a primitive civilization.**



# The Origins

- 292: **Diocletian** divides the **Roman empire** into two.
- 324: Constantine reunites the two parts
- **330: Constantine builds a new capital in the location of ancient Byzantium**
- 337: The death of Constantine results in division between east and west.



# Roman Empire Divides into Eastern & Western Empire



# Fall of Rome (Western Empire)



- Rome was besieged (invaded) by various tribes from modern day Germany and France.
- Disease – Plague
- No Strong Central Authority – Empire Split – East Strong – West Weak

# Fall of Rome (Western Empire)

- Decline in Morals and Values
- Political Corruption
- Unemployment
- Inflation – Rise of Price of Goods & Service with little rise in income.
- Urban decay
- Inferior Technology
- Military Spending

