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Holy Roman Empire Quiz

Name _____ Date _____

Fill in the circle beside the best answer.

1. Who crowned Otto I as Holy Roman Emperor in 962?

- (A) Pope John XII, in Rome
- (B) Pope Urban II, in Rome
- (C) Pope Leo III, in Rome
- (D) Pope Gregory VII, in Rome

2. What was the main conflict in the Investiture Controversy?

- (A) Whether Latin or German should be used in church services
- (B) Whether the pope or the emperor should lead armies on the Crusades
- (C) Whether the pope or the emperor had the right to appoint bishops
- (D) Whether the princes or the pope should elect each new emperor

3. What did the Golden Bull of 1356 establish?

- (A) That seven prince-electors would choose the Holy Roman Emperor
- (B) That the pope alone would choose the Holy Roman Emperor
- (C) That the emperor's eldest son would inherit the title without a vote
- (D) That each prince could choose the religion of his own territory

4. Which emperor briefly united Spain, the Netherlands, and the Holy Roman Empire under one ruler?

- (A) Charles IV
- (B) Henry IV
- (C) Charles V
- (D) Francis II

5. What did the Peace of Augsburg (1555) allow German princes to choose?

- (A) Between Latin and German for their church services
- (B) Between Catholicism and Calvinism for their territory
- (C) Between the emperor and the pope as their highest ruler
- (D) Between Catholicism and Lutheranism for their territory

6. Approximately how much of Germany's population died during the Thirty Years' War?

- (A) About three-quarters of the population
- (B) About one-third of the population
- (C) About two-thirds of the population
- (D) About one-twentieth of the population

7. What principle did the Peace of Westphalia (1648) establish?

- (A) That the pope has final authority over all the kings and princes of Christian Europe
- (B) That every ruler in the empire must return to the Catholic faith
- (C) That the German lands must be united under one powerful emperor
- (D) That each state is sovereign and others should not interfere in its affairs

8. Who ended the Holy Roman Empire in 1806?

- (A) King Gustavus Adolphus of Sweden, whose army captured the emperor in battle
- (B) Napoleon Bonaparte, whose victories led Emperor Francis II to give up the title
- (C) Otto von Bismarck, whose wars against Austria united Germany under Prussia
- (D) Tsar Alexander I of Russia, whose victories led Emperor Francis II to flee Vienna

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Holy Roman Empire Quiz: Answer Key

1. **A** Pope John XII, in Rome

2. **C** Whether the pope or the emperor had the right to appoint bishops

3. **A** That seven prince-electors would choose the Holy Roman Emperor

4. **C** Charles V

5. **D** Between Catholicism and Lutheranism for their territory

6. **B** About one-third of the population

7. **D** That each state is sovereign and others should not interfere in its affairs

8. **B** Napoleon Bonaparte, whose victories led Emperor Francis II to give up the title



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