Modern European History

Unit 1 – Post-Roman and Medieval Europe

Medieval Kingdoms in Europe Reading Questions

Read the handout thoroughly, using a **YELLOW** highlighter to highlight the vocabulary words and their definitions as you go; these are not only the words in bold type but also any other terms/names/events that you think might be historically important. Write the vocabulary word/name/event title in the margins next to its identification in the text.

Then go back through the reading and use a different colored highlighter to highlight the portion of the text that answers each of questions below, marking the text with the question number [if you already highlighted this as part of your initial read, just put the question number next to your yellow highlighting].

1. How did the introduction of larger horses lead to the use of heavily armored knights?

2. What were knights required to do when following the chivalric code?

3. Where did fairs take place? What goods were exchanged there?

4. What freedoms did people in cities have? How did they get them?

5. What were guilds and what did they do?

6. What was the Domesday Book?

7. What three groups did the Slavic peoples divide themselves into?

8. Who were Cyril and Methodius?