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## The Last Supper: Leonardo da Vinci's Timeless Masterpiece

### Short Answer Key

1. "The Last Supper" depicts the moment when Jesus Christ shares his final meal with his disciples. The central characters include Jesus and his twelve disciples, each displaying different emotions in reaction to Jesus' announcement of betrayal.
2. Chiaroscuro is a technique of using light and shadow to create volume and depth. In "The Last Supper," Leonardo da Vinci uses chiaroscuro to emphasize the figures of Jesus and some disciples, adding depth and highlighting their expressions.
3. "The Last Supper" is historically significant as a representation of a biblical event and artistically significant due to Leonardo da Vinci's mastery of composition, perspective, and human expression.
4. "The Last Supper" has faced significant deterioration over the centuries, and restoration efforts have been made to preserve and restore the painting. These efforts include careful cleaning, stabilization, and protection from environmental factors.
5. The portrayal of the disciples' reactions in the painting highlights themes of loyalty, faith, and human nature. Some disciples express shock, disbelief, or anger, reflecting the complexity of human emotions in the face of betrayal.

