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The Twilight of an Empire: The Fall of the Western Roman Empire

Multiple Choice Questions

1. What were some of the factors that contributed to the fall of the Western Roman Empire?
 - a) Economic prosperity and political stability
 - b) Military strength and successful expansion
 - c) Economic troubles, political instability, and military challenges
 - d) Peaceful relations with neighboring tribes

2. Who led the Visigoths in sacking Rome in 410 CE?
 - a) Julius Caesar
 - b) Augustus
 - c) Alaric
 - d) Cleopatra

3. What happened in 476 CE that is often seen as the symbolic date of the Western Roman Empire's fall?
 - a) The Byzantine Empire was established.
 - b) The last Roman emperor was deposed by Odoacer.
 - c) The Roman Senate gained more power.
 - d) Rome was rebuilt.

4. What empire continued to thrive in the east after the fall of the Western Roman Empire?
 - a) The Ottoman Empire
 - b) The Persian Empire
 - c) The Byzantine Empire
 - d) The Egyptian Empire

5. What lessons can be learned from the fall of the Western Roman Empire, as mentioned in the story?
 - a) The inevitability of eternal power and dominance
 - b) The complexities of empire and the challenges of governance
 - c) The necessity of expansion and conquest
 - d) The long-lasting legacy of the Western Roman Empire

