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

Short Answer

1. Describe some of the challenges faced by the Western Roman Empire in the 5th century CE.
2. Who led the Visigoths in sacking Rome in 410 CE, and what impact did this event have on the empire?
3. What significance is often attached to the year 476 CE in relation to the fall of the Western Roman Empire?
4. How did the Byzantine Empire differ from the Western Roman Empire, and what role did it play after the fall of the Western Empire?
5. What lessons can be drawn from the fall of the Western Roman Empire, as mentioned in the story?

