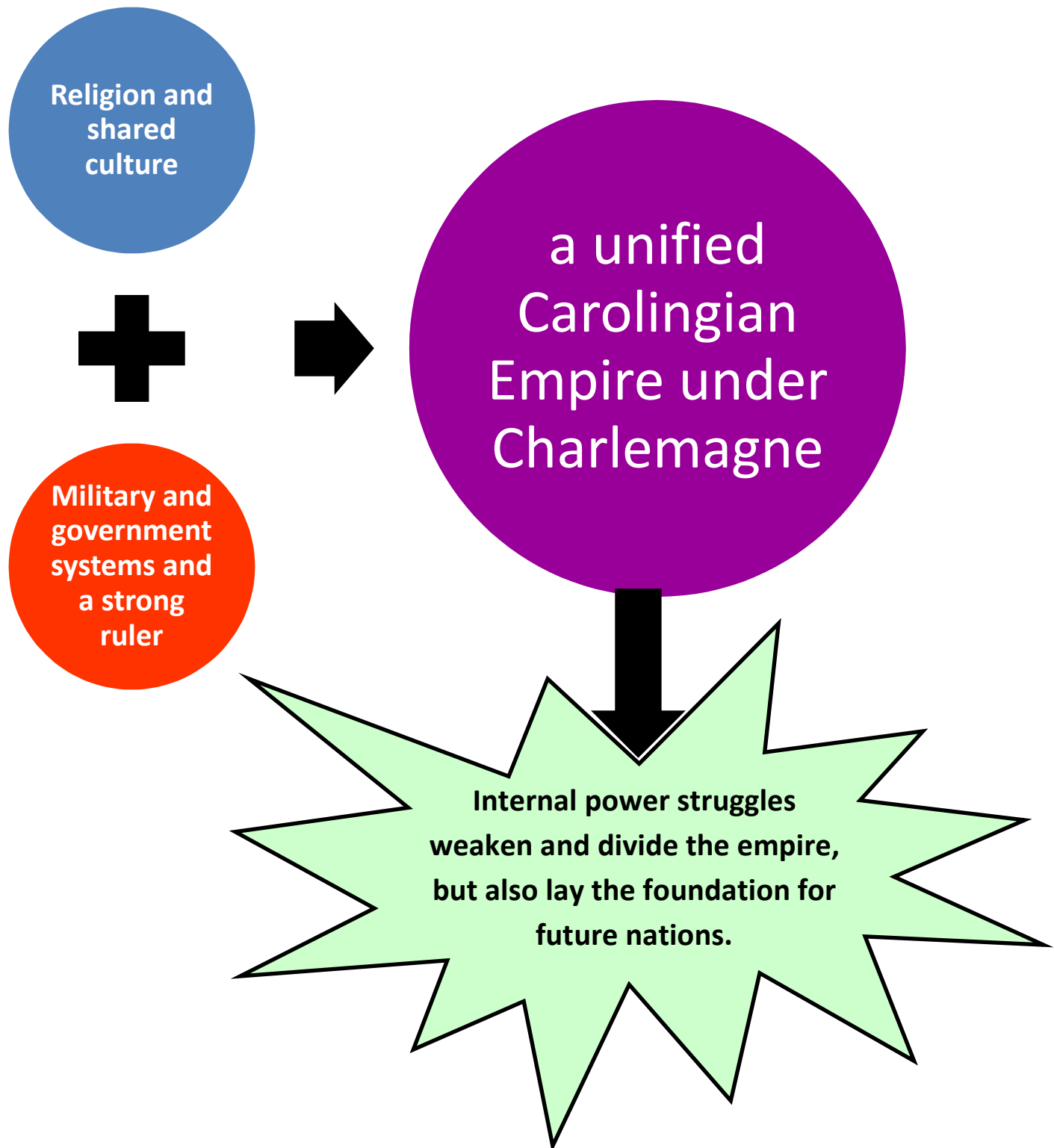


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Big Idea Card

Big Ideas of Lesson 5, Unit 6

- After the fall of the Roman Empire, control over Europe was a source of conflict between Germanic tribes in the area. Eventually, the Frankish king Charlemagne was able to unite much of present-day Europe under his control, and he led a period of cultural development called the Carolingian Renaissance.
- Charlemagne was crowned Emperor of Rome by the Pope. This connection to the church, as well as his effort to forcibly convert people under his control to Christianity, demonstrated the growing link between religious power in Rome and political power in other parts of Europe.
- During the rule of Charlemagne and his descendants, known as the Carolingian Empire, the modern nations of France and Germany began to take shape, and the European version of feudalism, a system where powerful lords controlled the land worked by poor farmers, began to take shape.
- The Carolingian Empire was characterized by growth and unification under a strong leader, and then division and decline when descendants of the king battled for power among themselves.

Word Cards

<p>28 ancestor</p> <p>one from whom a person is descended and who is usually more remote in the line of descent than a grandparent</p> <p>Example: Your great, great grandmother is an ancestor. (SS070605)</p>		<p>29 descendant</p> <p>coming from an ancestor or source</p> <p>Example: Descendants of Charlemagne, his grandsons, fought for control of the Carolingian Empire. (SS070605)</p>	
<p>30 court</p> <p>the extended household of a ruler, including his family, his advisors, and even close friends or allies.</p> <p>Example: The Duke was a member of the king's court. (SS070605)</p>		<p>31 expansion</p> <p>when something increases or grows in size or amount</p> <p>Example: The expansion of the Roman Empire occurred over an extended period of time. (SS070605)</p>	
<p>32 Pope</p> <p>In Era 4, the Pope was the Bishop of Rome and the religious leader for all Christians in central and western Europe. Today the Pope leads the Roman Catholic church.</p> <p>Example: A blessing from the Pope could help a king have more influence over his people. (SS070605)</p>		<p>33 cavalry</p> <p>soldiers or warriors who fight mounted on horseback</p> <p>Example: The army of the Huns was primarily a cavalry force. (SS070605)</p>	

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standardize

to change things so that they are similar and meet an agreed upon set of rules or standards



Example: The king standardized the weights people used so that everyone used the same units of measurement and fewer people got cheated.

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renaissance

a period of rebirth or renewed interest in literature, science, and the arts of earlier ages



Example: Charlemagne promoted a renaissance of cultural activities that focused on the achievements of ancient Greeks and Romans.

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