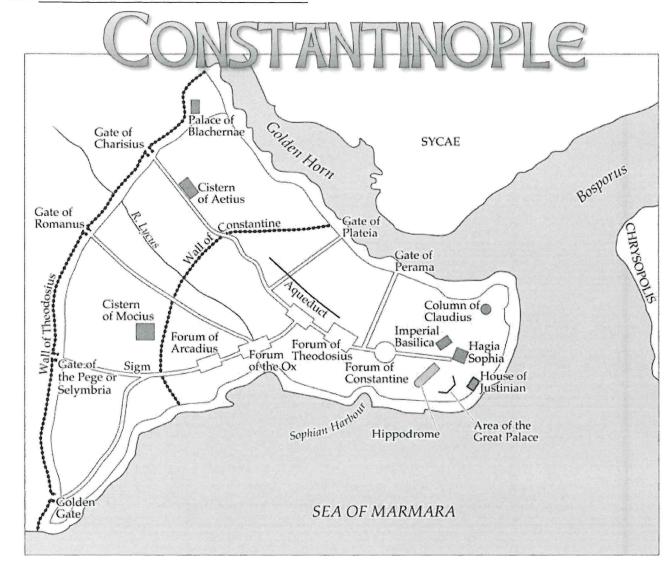
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Constantinople was the capital of the Eastern Roman Empire and then the Byzantine Empire. The City was not conquered until 1453 and had formidable defenses that kept out many invaders.

1.	Why do you think the city was so hard to conquer?
2.	What sort of land form is the city on?
3.	What three bodies of water surround the city?
4.	How can you tell the city grew over time?