

ROMAN LIFE
AREA F COMPETITION
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1. Which of the following Romans would likely be wearing a bulla?
a) mater b) pater c) senex d) puer
2. Which of the following customs are associated with a boy's coming of age ceremony?
a) it took place when he was 16 b) he dedicated the first scrapings of his beard to the household gods c) he wore a toga virilis d) all of these
3. What color was the toga virilis?
a) alba b) flava c) caerulea d) purpurea
4. The following are true of the Roman town of Baiae EXCEPT
a) it was a resort town b) destroyed in the eruption of Mt. Vesuvius
c) located on Bay of Naples d) located in Campania
5. The eruption of Mt. Vesuvius occurred in
a) 79 A.D. b) 81 A.D. c) 79 B.C. d) 52 A.D.
6. The Roman wearing a knee length garment with a broad purple stripe would be a
a) coquus b) femina c) tonsor d) senator
7. What were imagines?
a) actors in mimes b) pictures of images c) wax busts of ancestors
d) masks worn by ancestors
8. The rough and most disreputable district of Rome was the
a) Circus Maximus b) Campus Martius c) Subura d) Forum
9. Corn from Sicily and Egypt, unloaded at Puteoli, was taken to Rome by
a) Tiber b) Via Appia c) Via Aurelia d) Via Sacra
10. All of the following are true of slaves in roman times EXCEPT
a) they mingled with free men b) they had legal rights
c) they were mainly prisoners of war d) they were overseen by a vilicus

11. The center of Roman government was the
a) Forum b) Colosseum c) Circus Flaminius d) Circus Maximus
12. The public treasurer was the
a) quaestor b) aedile c) praetor d) consul
13. Which of our months was named after the Roman god of doorways?
a) July b) January c) August d) June
14. A mosaic of a vicious dog would also bear the inscription
a) cum grano salis b) sic semper tyrannus
c) caveat emptor d) cave canem
15. The following edifices were located in the city of Rome
a) insulae b) villae urbanae c) fundi d) villae rusticae
16. A Roman senator's routine would include regular visits to
a) Forum b) Thermae c) Curia d) all of these
17. Who would have said, "Nos morituri te salutamus"?
a) calones b) vigiles c) mercatores d) gladiatores
18. Which of the following corresponds to our given name?
a) praenomen b) nomen c) cognomen d) gens
19. The ancient Roman alphabet did not use the following letter
a) a b) w c) k d) i
20. The letters which designated the Roman state were
a) PSQR b) SPQR c) SPRQ d) SQR

21. With what city does the Via Appia connect Rome?
a) Syracuse b) Florentia c) Ostia d) Brundisium
22. The following is TRUE of Roman theatrical productions
a) Roman actors used make up b) tickets were required for most people to enter c) theater masks were made of wood d) wealthy citizens paid for dramatic performances
23. The Laws of the XII Tables were engraved on bronze tablets and displayed in the
a) Pantheon b) Forum c) Colosseum d) Curia
24. Which of the following would be seen at a traditional manumission ceremony
a) praetor b) pilleus c) vindicta d) all of these
25. The russati would receive applause for their skill in the
a) Forum b) Circus Maximus c) Colosseum d) Amphitheatrum
26. The statement "Primum saluto magistrum qui me resalutavit" would be uttered by a Roman in
a) ludo b) taberna c) caupona d) agro
27. Public Baths are called
a) balnae b) thermae c) tabernae d) cauponae
28. At the Baths Romans changed their clothes in the
a) apodyterium b) frigidarium c) tepidarium d) caldarium
29. "Capita aut navia" refers to
a) the Roman navy b) a delicious Roman recipe
c) a Roman coin-toss game d) a barber shop
30. The Amphitheatrum Flavium was originally called the
a) Circus Maximus b) Temple of Jupiter Maxiumus
c) Forum d) Colosseum

31. The spectators at gladiatorial games would likely shout all but one of the following
a) "Verbera!" b) "Iugula!" c) "Mittel!" d) "Ave, Caesar, morituri te salutant!"
32. What was the Pont du Gard?
a) sewer b) bridge c) aqueduct d) arch
33. A Roman bride would wear a
a) palla b) toga candida c) tunica recta d) tunicula candida
34. Saturnalia took place in the month of
a) March b) January c) December d) July
35. When a gladiator won his freedom he was awarded
a) a white leather apron b) an iron ring
c) a gold sword d) a wooden sword
36. How many older brothers and sisters should a boy named Quintus have?
a) quattuor b) septem c) quinque d) tres
37. The opening in the roof of a Roman house was called the
a) atrium b) impluvium c) compluvium d) peristylum
38. The Penates guarded the
a) flocks and shepherds b) house c) cupboard or grain-store d) harvest
39. Rome is situated on what river?
a) Rhine b) Danube c) Nile d) Tiber
40. A speculum was a
a) book b) cloak c) clock d) mirror

41. A lanista was a
a) gladiator recruit b) producer of mines
c) curule magistrate d) director of gladiator training
42. The Temple of Castor and Pollux was located
a) in Sicily b) in the Roman Forum c) at Delphi d) in Asia Minor
43. The following is associated with the Roman calendar
a) L'Aquila b) idus c) nonae d) all of these
44. Roman tombs were located
a) around the Campus Martius b) along the Via Appia
c) in the Forum d) on the Palatine
45. The Capitoline triad were
a) Mars, Venus, Minerva b) Venus, Iuppiter, Vesta
c) Apollo, Iuppiter, Vulcan d) Iuppiter, Iuno, Minerva
46. Which of the following might be eaten at Ientaculum?
a) salad and cold meat b) bread dipped in wine
c) port and rice with gravy d) oysters and shellfish
47. The smallest unit of a Roman legion, consisting of 60 soldiers, was called a
a) centuria b) manipulus c) colonia d) cohors
48. The main port for Rome was
a) Pompeii b) Piraeus c) Brundisium d) Ostia
49. The interpreters of the the behavior of birds, lightning and thunder were the
a) augures b) flamen dialis c) haruspices d) pontifex maximus
50. Tussis, febris and angina are Latin words for
a) money b) diseases c) fruits d) writing instruments

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51. Vestal Virgins wore
a) white robe bordered with purple b) saffron colored robe
c) white robe d) purple robe
52. the festival honoring the god of counsels and secret plans was
a) Palilia b) Robigo c) Saturnalia d) Consualia
53. A lustrum is a
a) piece of furniture b) food c) medicine d) time interval
54. The Roman term for a clasp or pin is
a) iustus b) fibula c) carma d) lar
55. Garum was a
a) highly prized fish sauce b) vegetable c) central market
d) gambling house

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	Dec	Gr I	Gr Adv	Gr Der	Gr Hist	LL	L Der	Mot	Myth	RC 1	RC 2	RC Adv	RH	RL	Voc
1.	b	a	d	a	a	d	c	b	e	a	d	b	b	d	b
2.	c	e	e	b	d	c	b	a	c	b	b	c	c	d	b
3.	d	b	c	a	c	b	a	b	b	a	a	a	a	a	a
4.	a	b	e	a	b	d	c	a	b	b	d	d	b	b	e
5.	d	c	e	a	d	a	e	b	d	b	b	c	b	a	d
6.	e	d	c	b	a	c	b	a	c	a	c	c	c	d	a
7.	c	d	b	a	b	a	a	a	e	b	a	b	a	c	a
8.	a	d	b	a	b	c	e	b	a	b	b	b	c	c	b
9.	e	c	c	c	b	a	c	b	e	a	b	a	a	b	d
10.	d	c	d	b	c	d	a	a	b	b	b	a	c	b	a
11.	b	c	c	a	a	c	c	a	d	b	a	c	d	a	d
12.	b	a	c	b	d	b	a	a	e	a	c	b	a	a	a
13.	a	e	a	b	b	b	d	c	b	a	b	b	b	b	c
14.	c	d	c	a	d	c	d	a	a	a	d	a	a	d	d
15.	d	c	c	b	a	c	e	a	b	b	c	b	a	a	b
16.	d	c	b	b	a	b	C	B	e	B	A	A	B	D	E
17.	b	b	d	c	c	c	B	C	d	A	D	B	D	D	A
18.	a	d	b	c	b	a	E	D	a	B	A	B	C	A	B
19.	d	c	d	b	d	a	A	B	d	B	B	A	A	B	D
20.	dc	b	b	c	d	b	B	A	c	A	C	A	D	B	A
21.	bd	a	a	c	c	a	D	B	c	A	B	B	B	D	B
22.	eb	d	c	b	a	d	A	C	d	A	A	A	B	D	E
23.	da	c	d	a	b	b	E	C	d	B	A	B	B	B	A
24.	dc	b	a	b	c	b	C	B	c	A	B	A	C	D	D
25.	e	a	b	a	d	d	B	B	a	B	A	A	A	B	A
26.	b	c	d	b	c	c	A	A	a	B	B	B	D	A	E
27.	a	b	c	c	c	b	C	C	e	A	A	B	C	B	B
28.	d	a	d	b	b	a	D	A	c	B	A	A	D	A	D
29.	e ^b	c	a	a	a	b	C	C	e	A	3	B	A	C	C
30.	e	d	b	a	a	b	E	C	a	B	3	A	B	D	A
31.	b	a	d	c	a	a	E	C	b		A	A	C	D	E
32.	c	d	e	b	d	a	B	B	c		A	B	B	C	A
33.	a	c	a	a	d	d	D	C	a		3	A	C	C	B
34.	c	a	c	b	b	c	A	A	a		A	A	C	C	D
35.	c	b	d	b	c	a	B	B	a		B	B	B	D	A
36.	b ^c	c	c	c	a	c	C	C	c		B	B	A	A	C
37.	a	c	d	a	b	d	E	D	e		B	A	A	C	A

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