

1997 Area F: Roman History (The Empire)

Directions: Pick the best answer.

1. Julius Caesar's adoptive son and heir was
 - a. M. Antonius
 - b. C. Octavius
 - c. M. Lepidus
 - d. L. Brutus
2. The last western Roman emperor was
 - a. Justinian
 - b. Septimius Severus
 - c. Romulus Augustulus
 - d. Constantine
3. The imperial dynasty responsible for building the Colosseum was the
 - a. Julio-Claudian
 - b. Severan
 - c. Trajanic
 - d. Flavian
4. Augustus was succeeded by Tiberius who was his
 - a. stepson
 - b. son
 - c. nephew
 - d. brother
5. The first Christian emperor was
 - a. Tiberius
 - b. Constantine
 - c. Titus
 - d. Commodus
6. The Flavian dynasty was followed by the Antonines. The first Antonine ruler was
 - a. Trajan
 - b. Marcus Aurelius
 - c. Nerva
 - d. Constantine
7. The close friend of Augustus who was a literary patron was
 - a. Marcus Antonius
 - b. Horace
 - c. Tiberius
 - d. Maecenas
8. The emperor who favored worship of the sun god was
 - a. Constantine
 - b. Elagabalus
 - c. Commodus
 - d. Caracalla
9. Trajan's column memorializes his victory over the
 - a. Mesopotamians
 - b. Jews
 - c. Corinthians
 - d. Dacians
10. Augustus originally had wanted to be succeeded by his nephew,
 - a. Agrippa
 - b. Marcellus
 - c. Tiberius
 - d. Octavius
11. Succession crises occurred after the deaths of all of the following except
 - a. Nero
 - b. Nerva
 - c. Commodus
 - d. Didius Julianus
12. The Colosseum was built on the site of the Golden Palace of
 - a. Augustus
 - b. Nero
 - c. Hadrian
 - d. Vespasian
13. The *Pax Romana* lasted from the reign of
 - a. Julius Caesar to Nero
 - b. Augustus to Nero
 - c. Augustus to Marcus Aurelius
 - d. Augustus to Constantine

14. The official imperial palace was located on the
a. Capitoline b. Aventine c. Palatine d. Quirinal
15. Trajan was responsible for building a
a. basilica b. market c. forum d. all of the above
16. Octavian was given the name Augustus in
a. 27 B.C. b. A.D. 27 c. 14 B.C. d. A.D. 14
17. The traditional date for the fall of the western Roman empire is
a. 476 B.C. b. 746 B.C. c. A.D. 476 d. A.D. 746
18. The first non-Italian to be emperor was Trajan who was a
a. Greek b. Gaul c. Egyptian d. Spaniard
19. Caligula's horse was named
a. Incitatus b. Equus c. Celer d. Macrinus
20. The inscription on the Pantheon claims it was built by
a. Agrippa b. Augustus c. Hadrian d. Caracalla
21. The emperor who divided the empire into four prefectures was
a. Caligula b. Constantine c. Diocletian d. Septimius Severus
22. The influential leader of the praetorian guard during Tiberius' rule was
a. Sejanus b. Licinius c. Antonius d. Suetonius
23. Antoninus Pius' empress was
a. Fontina b. Julia c. Faustina d. Aurelia
24. The order of the four emperor who ruled in A.D. 69 was
a. Vespasian, Otho, Galba, Vitellius b. Nero, Otho, Vitellius, Vespasian c.
Nero, Vespasian, Titus, Domitian d. Galba, Otho, Vitellius, Vespasian
25. Claudius' own son whom he passed over, instead choosing his stepson
Nero as successor, was
a. Ahenobarbus b. Marcellus c. Antonius d. Britannicus
26. The emperor who moved the capital to Byzantium was
a. Caracalla b. Diocletian c. Constantine d. Aurelian
27. The emperor who had a villa at Tibur (Tivoli) was
a. Hadrian b. Trajan c. Titus d. Tiberius

28. Tiberius retired to
 - a. Rhodes
 - b. Misenum
 - c. Capri
 - d. Crete
29. The emperor Honorius banned
 - a. chariot races
 - b. gambling
 - c. public bathing
 - d. gladiatorial combat
30. Caligula was
 - a. killed in a chariot racing accident
 - b. assassinated by the praetorian guard
 - c. murdered by the Senate
 - d. trampled to death by his horse
31. Who won the battle of the Milvian Bridge?
 - a. Maxentius
 - b. Augustus
 - c. Commodus
 - d. Constantine
32. Commodus wished to be worshipped as
 - a. Jupiter
 - b. Mars
 - c. Hercules
 - d. Cupid
33. Mt. Vesuvius erupted in A.D. 79 covering
 - a. Pompeii
 - b. Herculaneum
 - c. Stabiae
 - d. all of the above
34. The first persecution of Christians occurred during the reign of
 - a. Nero
 - b. Tiberius
 - c. Titus
 - d. Diocletian
35. Septimius Severus was from
 - a. Africa
 - b. Asia Minor
 - c. Greece
 - d. Gaul
36. The empire reached its greatest extent under the rule of
 - a. Trajan
 - b. Claudius
 - c. Augustus
 - d. Hadrian
37. Nero's influential teacher was
 - a. Seneca
 - b. Ovid
 - c. Tacitus
 - d. Marcus Aurelius
38. Caracalla was nicknamed after his favorite
 - a. wine
 - b. cloak
 - c. shoe
 - d. animal
39. The stoic emperor who wrote *Meditations* was
 - a. Marcus Aurelius
 - b. Lucretius
 - c. Hadrian
 - d. Diocletian
40. Caligula's name means
 - a. nerves of steel
 - b. little boots
 - c. iron will
 - d. weak-boned
41. The century characterized by runaway inflation was the
 - a. 1st A.D.
 - b. 2nd A.D.
 - c. 3rd A.D.
 - d. none of the above

42. Marcus Aurelius was succeeded by his son
a. Marcus Antonius b. Commodus c. Antoninus Pius d. Titus
43. The general who led military campaigns in Scotland during the reign of Vespasian was
a. Agrippa b. Agricola c. Titus d. Hadrian
44. Lucius Verus reigned jointly with
a. Commodus b. Diocletian c. Constantine d. Marcus Aurelius
45. During Nero's reign, a revolt was led in Britain by Queen
a. Claudia b. Hersilia c. Boudicca d. Beatrice
46. The first emperor chosen by members of the Senate was
a. Augustus b. Vespasian c. Claudius d. Nerva
47. The *Ara Pacis* was built by the emperor
a. Trajan b. Augustus c. Marcus Aurelius d. Geta
48. The year of the four emperors showed that
a. rulers did not have to come from the Julio-Claudian family b. rulers could be appointed away from Rome c. both of the above d. neither of the above
49. Pontius Pilatus was the Roman governor of the Jews under
a. Nero b. Constantine c. Claudius d. Tiberius
50. The Roman emperor known for traveling widely to all the provinces was
a. Hadrian b. Constantine c. Titus d. Caligula

TIE BREAKERS: The answers to the following questions will only be scored to break ties.

51. The last Jewish stronghold against the Romans during the Jewish war was
a. Masada b. Herodium c. Machaerus d. none of the above
52. The western Roman empire lasted from
a. 31 B.C.--A.D. 746 b. 27 B.C.--A.D. 476 c. 31 B.C.--A.D. 476 d. 27 B.C.--A.D. 746
53. Augustus' last wife was
a. Livia b. Julia c. Scribonia d. Aurelia

54. The great fire of Rome occurred during the reign of
a. Augustus b. Nero c. Claudius d. Caligula

55. The Antonines were also known as the
a. Five Good Emperors b. Severan Dynasty c. Philosophical Emperors d.
Last Dynasty

