

ROMAN HISTORY - The Empire

TSJCL AREA F MMXI

DIRECTIONS: Mark on your answer sheet the letter of the best answer. All dates are AD unless noted.

1. Who was the principal teacher of Marcus Aurelius?
 - A. Seneca
 - B. Decimus Ausonius
 - C. Demosthenes
 - D. M. Cornelius Fronto
2. Which philosopher wrote the treatise 'de opificio dei'?'
 - A. Lactantius
 - B. Sallust
 - C. Celsus
 - D. Porphyry
3. Who was the philosopher who was imprisoned and executed under the Ostrogothic king Theodoric?
 - A. Olybrius
 - B. Boethius
 - C. Petronius Maximus
 - D. Cassiodorus
4. Which Christian divine was known as the 'Golden-Mouthed'?'
 - A. John Chrysostom
 - B. Simeon Stylites
 - C. Dionysius the Areopagite
 - D. Gregory Nazianzus
5. What Latin historian documented the annals of the Later Roman Empire from AD 354-378?
 - A. Tacitus
 - B. Ammianus Marcellinus
 - C. Evagrius Scholasticus
 - D. Sozomen
6. Which usurper committed suicide?
 - A. Maxentius
 - B. Maximinus
 - C. Majorian
 - D. Magnentius
7. Which Christian emperor was responsible for closing the Athenian Academy?
 - A. Theodosius
 - B. Constantius
 - C. Constantine
 - D. Justinian

8. Which bishop wrote the 'Lives of Illustrious Men'?
- A. Augustine
 - B. Athanasius
 - C. Ambrose
 - D. Jerome
9. What Greek mythological figure did Commodus model himself after?
- A. Zeus
 - B. Dionysus
 - C. Apollo
 - D. Hercules
10. Which pagan senator pushed to have the Altar of Victory restored in Rome?
- A. Symmachus
 - B. Curtius Rufus
 - C. Boethius
 - D. Tiberius Gracchus
11. After the fall of Rome, the Germanic king Odoacer kept his capital in what city?
- A. Venice
 - B. Genoa
 - C. Florence
 - D. Ravenna
12. What would you would have found in the Curia?
- A. the Sybilline Books
 - B. the Capitoline Wolf
 - C. the eternal flame
 - D. the Ara Pacis
13. "in hoc signo vinces" is associated with _____.
- A. Diocletian
 - B. Antoninus Pius
 - C. Marcus Aurelius
 - D. Constantine
14. Who was NOT an emperor during the 5th century?
- A. Majorian
 - B. Olybrius
 - C. Valentinian III
 - D. Gratian
15. _____ was emperor from 96 to 98 .
- A. Titus
 - B. Domitian
 - C. Vespasian
 - D. Nerva
16. Which emperor is associated with the building of public baths?
- A. Sulla
 - B. Caracalla
 - C. Commodus
 - D. Elagabalus

17. Tiberius's successor was _____.
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| A. Marcellus | C. Castor |
| B. Claudius | D. Caligula |
18. Which emperor ordered the construction of a floating bridge from Baiae to Puteoli?
- A. Titus
 - B. Caligula
 - C. Domitian
 - D. Nero
19. What battle served as a transition point from Republic to Empire?
- A. Arretium
 - B. Milvian Bridge
 - C. Bedriacum
 - D. Actium
20. Gnaeus Julius Agricola, Publius Quinctilius Varus, Fullofaudes and Gaius Suetonius Paulinus were all _____.
- A. generals
 - B. dramatists
 - C. historians
 - D. consuls
21. Which of the following was NOT an emperor ?
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| A. Vitellius | C. Galba |
| B. Nero | D. Titus Manlius Torquata |
22. Where did Commodus die?
- A. Rome
 - B. Alexandria
 - C. Baiae
 - D. Ostia
23. What is Nero reputed to have done?
- A. invented the modern violin
 - B. practiced cannibalism
 - C. secretly converted to Christianity
 - D. tried to murder his mother in a collapsible boat
24. Who was responsible for expanding the career options for talented liberti?
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| A. Titus | C. Claudius |
| B. Gericus Brini | D. Aurelius |
25. How long was the Julio-Claudian dynasty in power?
- A. 68 years
 - B. 73 years
 - C. 95 years
 - D. 27 years

26. Diocletian _____.
- A. devalued the coinage
 - B. grouped the provinces into the Tetrarchy
 - C. legalized Christianity
 - D. moved the capital to Byzantium
27. Who led a rebellion against Gallus?
- A. Caratacus
 - B. Aemilianus
 - C. Gaius Iulius Vindex
 - D. Cunobelinus
28. Where was the Milvian Bridge?
- A. the Rubicon
 - B. the Sequanus
 - C. the Rhenus
 - D. the Tiber
29. The period of the Flavian dynasty was characterized by _____.
- A. repeated shortages in the grain supply
 - B. increased power of the Praetorian Guard
 - C. civic development of the provinces
 - D. rapid expansion into the the Iberian peninsula
30. The Via Appia ran from Rome to _____
- A. Appia
 - B. Brundisium
 - C. Venetia
 - D. Neapolis
31. Which colony was a chief producer of metals?
- A. Britannia
 - B. Syria
 - C. Pannonia
 - D. Leptis Magna
32. Who was the son of Septimius Severus who succeeded him ?
- A. Geta
 - B. Carinus
 - C. Caracalla
 - D. Didius Julianus
33. The province of Pannonia now covers part of which country?
- A. Belgium
 - B. Portugal
 - C. Hungary
 - D. Roumania
34. Which of the following was not an adopted son?
- A. Constantine
 - B. Marcus Aurelius
 - C. Titus
 - D. Hadrian

45. Which public building or monument originally dated to the Republic rather than the Empire?

- A. Pantheon
- B. Temple of Castor and Pollux
- C. Colosseum
- D. Domus Aurea

46. What was not a characteristic of the Crisis of the 3rd century?

- A. invasion by Germanic tribes
- B. renewed hostilities with Carthage
- C. inflation
- D. breakdown of cities

47. What was the significance of the Battle of Actium?

- A. Julius Caesar consolidated his power
- B. Augustus Caesar consolidated his power
- C. It provided subject matter for the Roman national epic.
- D. It assured that Rome would no longer face a threat from Carthage.

48. Who was the ringleader of the conspiracy against Caracalla?

- A. Gordian II
- B. Macrinus
- C. Belimicus Mendax
- D. Antoninus Pius

49. With whom did Pliny the Younger carry on an extensive correspondence which provides us with much information?

- A. Pliny the Elder
- B. Agricola
- C. Tacitus
- D. Flavius Silva

50. Which term was not used to refer to Caesar Augustus?

- A. Pontifex Maximus
- B. Imperator Mundi
- C. Pater Patriae
- D. Princeps

TIE-BREAKERS : These will be scored only to break ties.

96. Which emperor was also a noted philosopher?

- A. Antoninus Pius
- B. Marcus Aurelius
- C. Pertinax
- D. Justinian

97. Three legions under Varus were defeated in the Battle of _____.

- A. Phillipi
- B. Masada
- C. Teutoberg Forest
- D. Milvian Bridge

98. The achievements of Domitian included _____.

- A. building the Colosseum
- B. repelling barbarian invasions from northern Italy
- C. acquiring unprecedented popularity with the public
- D. putting Vestal Virgins to death

99. Which writer was patronized by Augustus?

- A. Catullus
- B. Vergil
- C. Livy
- D. Suetonius

100. Which emperor had the shortest reign?

- A. Olybrius
- B. Petronius Maximus
- C. Vitellius
- D. Avitus