

2015 Area F Roman History Test

1. Who became the first emperor of Rome after defeating Marc Antony at Actium in 31 B.C.?
A. Tiberius B. Caligula C. Trajan D. Augustus
2. What emperor retired to Capri, leaving the rule of Rome to his praetorian prefect, Sejanus?
A. Tiberius B. Diocletian C. Caligula D. Hadrian
3. What emperor added the provinces of Dacia, Mesopotamia, and Armenia?
A. Trajan B. Hadrian C. Septimius Severus D. Diocletian
4. What emperor made every free man in the empire a Roman citizen?
A. Augustus B. Hadrian C. Marcus Aurelius D. Caracalla
5. Who outbid Sulpicianus for the imperial throne?
A. Pertinax B. Didius Julianus C. Gallienus D. Carus
6. What emperor had the longest reign at 40 years?
A. Augustus B. Trajan C. Hadrian D. Marcus Aurelius
7. What emperor liked to pretend he was Hercules?
A. Caligula B. Nero C. Commodus D. Elegabalus
8. Which of these emperors had a wall named after him in Britain?
A. Claudius B. Hadrian C. Marcus Aurelius D. Aurelian
9. Which emperor was the first to demand that he be called "*dominus et deus*"?
A. Caligula B. Nero C. Domitian D. Septimius Severus
10. What emperor reportedly hobbled and stuttered and was named emperor after he was found hiding behind some drapes in the palace?
A. Claudius B. Nerva C. Pertinax D. Valerian
11. What emperor is said to have fiddled while Rome burned in A.D. 64?
A. Caligula B. Nero C. Elegabalus D. Constantius II
12. What emperor relentlessly ridiculed Cassius Chaerea until Cassius murdered the emperor and his wife Milonia Caesonia?
A. Julius Caesar B. Claudius C. Caligula D. Carus
13. Who lost three legions in Germany during the reign of Augustus?
A. Tiberius B. Drusus C. Varius Avitus D. Quinctilius Varus
14. What emperor of A.D. 69 was a puppet for his lieutenants Valens and Caecina?
A. Galba B. Otho C. Vitellius D. Vespasian
15. Against what emperor did Gaetulicus rebel?
A. Augustus B. Caligula C. Nero D. Galba

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16. What emperor took the throne with the aid of Mucianus, Tiberius Alexander, and Antonius Primus?
A. Galba B. Septimius Severus C. Vespasian D. Diocletian
17. Who was encouraged by the empress to rebel against Marcus Aurelius?
A. Avidius Cassius B. Domitius Corbulo C. Vindex D. Julius Civilis
18. Which of these was the grandmother of two emperors and aunt of two more?
A. Livia B. Antonia C. Julia Domna D. Julia Maesa
19. What emperor was beloved by all during his short reign but was forced by public opinion to send away his Jewish mistress Berenice?
A. Claudius B. Titus C. Nerva D. Pertinax
20. Who instituted an organization of imperial rule where two Augusti ruled the empire, each with a Caesar who answered to him?
A. Aurelian B. Diocletian C. Constantine D. Valentinian I
21. What emperor introduced non-Italians into the Praetorian Guard?
A. Vespasian B. Pertinax C. Septimius Severus D. Constantine
22. What emperor died in captivity among the Persians?
A. Gordian III B. Valerian C. Claudius Gothicus D. Julian
23. Who was/were the first emperor(s) chosen by the Senate?
A. Claudius B. Vespasian C. Nerva D. Pupienus and Balbinus
24. To whom did Augustus give his signet ring when he thought he was near death in 23 B.C.?
A. Agrippa B. Marcellus C. Gaius Caesar D. Tiberius
25. Who threatened the fabric of the tetrarchy when, upon his father's death, his father's troops proclaimed him Augustus instead of Severus, his father's Caesar?
A. Maxentius B. Licinius C. Galerius D. Constantine
26. Who led a Roman army into Parthia to install Tigranes on the throne of Armenia in the reign of Nero?
A. Petilius Cerialis B. Domitius Corbulo C. Vespasian D. Vitellius
27. What emperor built a temple in the Forum for his wife, Faustina?
A. Augustus B. Galba C. Antoninus Pius D. Marcus Aurelius
28. What emperor instituted the *alimenta* program in which farmers were given loans and the interest from those loans was used to feed the poor?
A. Augustus B. Claudius C. Nerva D. Antoninus Pius
29. Whom did Galba adopt as his heir?
A. Otho B. Calpurnius Piso Licinianus C. Nymphidius Sabinus D. Vitellius

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30. What emperor shared his throne with his son Diadumenianus?
A. Macrinus B. Decius C. Trebonianus Gallus D. Valens
31. Who was the second emperor whose murder was ordered by the praetorian prefect Laetus?
A. Vitellius B. Pertinax C. Didius Julianus D. Trebonianus Gallus
32. What co-emperor of Honorius rescued and married Honorius' sister Placidia?
A. Valentinian III B. Valens C. Olybrius D. Constantius III
33. Who was Claudius' first wife?
A. Valeria Messalina B. Plautia Urgulanilla C. Aelia Paetina D. Agrippina the Younger
34. Who was proclaimed emperor by his legions in Syria in April of A.D. 193?
A. Septimius Severus B. Clodius Albinus C. Pertinax D. Pescennius Niger
35. What emperor worshipped a black rock, which he brought to Rome from Emesa?
A. Elegabalus B. Aurelian C. Carus D. Julian
36. Who put down the second Jewish Revolt in A.D. 135?
A. Titus B. Flavius Silva C. Julius Severus D. Lusius Quietus
37. What people defeated and killed Decius at Abrittus?
A. Huns B. Goths C. Alans D. Marcomanni
38. Which of these was not the name of someone exiled to Pandateria?
A. Claudia Octavia B. Agrippina the Elder C. Julia the Elder D. Agrippa Postumus
39. Who was nicknamed "*Verissimus*"?
A. Marcus Aurelius B. Caracalla C. Valentinian I D. Honorius
40. In what year did Diocletian abdicate?
A. A.D. 295 B. A.D. 301 C. A.D. 305 D. A.D. 311
41. Who removed the young Vaballathus from his throne?
A. Odoacer B. Attila the Hun C. Alaric D. Aurelian
42. Who put down the rebellion of Julius Classicus?
A. Suetonius Paullinus B. Petilius Cerialis C. Tiberius D. Domitius Corbulo
43. Where was Constantine born?
A. Salona B. Naissus C. Mediolanum D. Eboracum
44. Who invaded Arabia Felix during the reign of Augustus?
A. Aelius Gallus B. Petronius C. Cornelius Gallus D. Tiberius
45. What freedman volunteered to kill Nero's mother after she failed to drown in a collapsible boat?
A. Pallas B. Narcissus C. Anicetus D. Polybius

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46. Which of these was not one of the Four Consulars executed by Hadrian?
A. Palma B. Quietus C. Celsus D. Attianus
47. Where did Septimius Severus eliminate his final rival in February of A.D. 197?
A. Lugdunum B. Issus C. Carnuntum D. Eboracum
48. Whose praetorian prefects were Timesitheus and Phillip the Arab?
A. Hadrian B. Septimius Severus C. Gordian III D. Decius
49. What son of Constantine was killed by the usurper Magnentius?
A. Constantine II B. Constantius II C. Constans D. Crispus
50. What famous jurist served as praetorian prefect of Severus Alexander?
A. Paullus B. Macrinus C. Herennius D. Papinian
- Tie-Breakers (bubble the answers in #s 96-100)
96. What emperor made his horse Incitatus a senator?
A. Caligula B. Nero C. Commodus D. Elegabalus
97. Who served as Diocletian's co-*Augustus*?
A. Constantius Chlorus B. Galerius C. Maximian D. Maxentius
98. Who ultimately abandoned the Antonine Wall as the Roman border in Britain?
A. Commodus B. Severus Alexander C. Diocletian D. Honorius
99. What sister of Valentinian III proposed marriage to Attila the Hun?
A. Galla Placidia B. Honoria C. Pulcheria D. Valentinia
100. What governor of Lower Germany put down Saturninus' revolt?
A. Verginius Rufus B. Trajan C. Lappius Maximus D. Vitellius