

2017 TEXAS STATE JUNIOR CLASSICAL LEAGUE

ROMAN HISTORY TEST

DIRECTIONS: Please mark the letter of the correct answer on your scantron answer sheet.

N.B. - All dates are A.D. unless otherwise specified.

1. In what year did Augustus gain full **tribūnīcia potestās & imperium prōconsulāre māius**?
 - a. 9 BC
 - b. 23 BC
 - c. 27 BC
 - d. 31 BC
2. Where was the site of two battles that determined the accession of two emperors in 69?
 - a. Cremona
 - b. Metaurus River
 - c. Milvian Bridge
 - d. Ravenna
3. Who was nominally the last Western Roman Emperor, though he was never recognized by the East?
 - a. Zeno
 - b. Justinian
 - c. Julius Nepos
 - d. Romulus Augustulus
4. What Roman commander lost three legions in the Teutoburg Forest?
 - a. Licinius Murena
 - b. Quinctilius Varus
 - c. Iunius Silanus
 - d. Cornelius Balbus
5. Who was not emperor in the year 238?
 - a. Pupienus
 - b. Maximinus Thrax
 - c. Severus Alexander
 - d. Gordian III
6. Who was the last person to be buried in the Mausoleum of Augustus?
 - a. Nerva
 - b. Marcellus
 - c. Augustus
 - d. Nero
7. To what island was Agrippa Postumus banished?
 - a. Planasia
 - b. Pandateria
 - c. Capri
 - d. Rhodes
8. Which Emperor fought wars against the Marcomanni, Quadi, and Iazyges?
 - a. Marcus Aurelius
 - b. Domitian
 - c. Tiberius
 - d. Claudius
9. Whom was Tiberius forced to divorce so that he could marry Julia, the daughter of Augustus?
 - a. Agrippina
 - b. Scribonia
 - c. Octavia
 - d. Vipsania
10. Trajan waged two successful wars against what foreign power, ruled by King Decebalus?
 - a. Parthia
 - b. Moesia
 - c. Dacia
 - d. Bithynia
11. Germanicus was allegedly poisoned by what prefect of Syria?
 - a. Verginius Rufus
 - b. Calpurnius Piso
 - c. Domitius Corbulo
 - d. Valerius Flaccus

12. Who was Titus' Jewish mistress?
 - a. Marcia
 - b. Candace
 - c. Sophonisba
 - d. Berenice
13. What Praetorian Prefect condensed all praetorian cohorts into one camp?
 - a. Burrus
 - b. Macro
 - c. Tigellinus
 - d. Sejanus
14. Who was the third wife of Claudius?
 - a. Agrippina the Younger
 - b. Aelia Paetina
 - c. Plautia Urgulanilla
 - d. Valeria Messalina
15. Which Roman Emperor brought into Rome a conical black stone?
 - a. Aurelian
 - b. Septimius Severus
 - c. Elagabalus
 - d. Macrinus
16. Who was captured by the Persians & made into the personal stepping stool of Shapur I?
 - a. Valerian
 - b. Tacitus
 - c. Florianus
 - d. Decius
17. Who was Claudius' **praepositus ab epistulis**?
 - a. Callistus
 - b. Narcissus
 - c. Pallas
 - d. Polybius
18. Which emperor was originally named Lucius Domitius Ahenobarbus?
 - a. Domitian
 - b. Hadrian
 - c. Nero
 - d. Elagabalus
19. Who was given nominal command against Parthia, although the real fighting was done by Avidius Cassius & other commanders?
 - a. Postumius Albinus
 - b. Rutilius Lupus
 - c. Marcus Philippus
 - d. Lucius Verus
20. Which rival did Septimius Severus defeat at Lugdunum in 197?
 - a. Pescennius Niger
 - b. Clodius Albinus
 - c. Didius Julianus
 - d. Pertinax
21. Which foreign enemy compromised with Domitius Corbulo & journeyed to Rome to receive the crown of Armenia from Nero?
 - a. Tiridates
 - b. Vologeses
 - c. Tigranes
 - d. Artabanus III
22. Where did Constantine defeat Maxentius in 312?
 - a. Chyrsopolis
 - b. Milvian Bridge
 - c. Margus River
 - d. Milan
23. Which of the following was NOT a wife of one of the "Five Good Emperors"?
 - a. Faustina the Elder
 - b. Plotina
 - c. Lucilla
 - d. Vibia Sabina
24. Which Roman commander put down the rebellion of Vindex?
 - a. Suetonius Paulinus
 - b. Domitius Corbulo
 - c. Verginius Rufus
 - d. Germanicus
25. What Praetorian Prefect under Nero bribed the Guards to switch their support to Galba?
 - a. Tigellinus
 - b. Nymphidius Sabinus
 - c. Macro
 - d. Burrus

26. Which Roman emperor reformed the military by developing a new cavalry corps as a highly mobile force?
- Trebonianus Gallus
 - Macrinus
 - Septimius Severus
 - Gallienus
27. Which emperor was known as **manū ad ferrum & rēstitūtor orbis**?
- Aurelian
 - Vespasian
 - Marcus Aurelius
 - Trajan
28. Who earned the displeasure of Nero by falling asleep during one of his performances?
- Vespasian
 - Galba
 - Otho
 - Vitellius
29. What governor of Britain from 74 to 77 crushed the Silures in south Wales?
- Ostorius Scapula
 - Agricola
 - Frontinus
 - Suetonius Paulinus
30. Where was Valens defeated and killed by the Goths on August 9, 378?
- Mauriac Plains
 - Adrianople
 - Mursa
 - Raetia
31. Which emperor built a wall around Rome?
- Hadrian
 - Augustus
 - Marcus Aurelius
 - Aurelian
32. Who put down the Jewish revolt of Simon Bar-Cosibar?
- Flavius Silva
 - Marcus Turbo
 - Iulius Severus
 - Lusius Quietus
33. Who was the grandmother of two emperors of the Severan dynasty?
- Julia Maesa
 - Julia Domna
 - Julia Soaemias
 - Julia Mamaea
34. What Roman commander killed the usurper Macrianus?
- Odaenathus
 - Aureolus
 - Caninius Rebilus
 - Petillius Cerialis
35. What distinguished jurist was appointed Praetorian Prefect under Severus Alexander?
- Perennis
 - Aemilius Papinianus
 - Fulvius Plautianus
 - Domitius Ulpianus
36. Zenobia accused what chief adviser for inspiring Palmyran aggression, using him as a scapegoat?
- Domitius Ahenobarbus
 - Calpurnius Piso
 - Cassius Longinus
 - Vaballathus
37. What emperor died after being struck by lightning but was more probably killed by Aper?
- Claudius Gothicus
 - Carus
 - Trebonianus Gallus
 - Numerian
38. Who started the Tetrarchy?
- Diocletian
 - Nerva
 - Augustus
 - Constantine
39. What emperor had been tutored by Livy and wrote books on Etruscan and Carthaginian history?
- Claudius
 - Marcus Aurelius
 - Tiberius
 - Domitian

40. Which Roman emperor ended the Olympic Games?
- Constantine
 - Gratian
 - Theodosius
 - Jovian
41. Who is known as “the last of the Romans”?
- Theodosius I
 - Stilicho
 - Valentinian III
 - Aetius
42. Who sacked Rome in 455?
- Alaric
 - Gaiseric
 - Atilla
 - Odovacer
43. What city did Commodus rename **Colōnia Comodiāna**?
- Carthage
 - Jerusalem
 - Athens
 - Rome
44. The citizens of what city were massacred by Caracalla’s troops in 215?
- Antioch
 - Jerusalem
 - Alexandria
 - Eboracum
45. Who was emperor of during Rome’s 1000th anniversary?
- Philip the Arab
 - Antoninus Pius
 - Claudius
 - Commodus
46. What emperor transferred the election of magistrates from the Popular Assemblies to the Senate?
- Tiberius
 - Augustus
 - Hadrian
 - Domitian
47. Who was raised to Augustus after defeating the Bagaudae?
- Maxentius
 - Galarius
 - Constantius Chlorus
 - Maximian
48. Whom did Cassius Chaerea assassinate?
- Domitian
 - Caligula
 - Macrinus
 - Commodus
49. Whom did Galarius nominate as Augustus in the West at the Conference of Carnuntum?
- Severus
 - Maxentius
 - Licinius
 - Constantine
50. Under whose reign was the province of Thrace annexed by the Roman Empire?
- Augustus’
 - Claudius’
 - Trajan’s
 - Septimius Severus’
51. When did Constantine become the sole ruler of the Roman emperor?
- 312
 - 321
 - 324
 - 337
52. Where did Marcus Aurelius die in 168?
- Lugdunum
 - Mediolanum
 - Lutetia
 - Vindobona
53. Who replaced the Praetorian Guard with soldiers from his own Pannonian legions?
- Probus
 - Didius Julianus
 - Philip the Arab
 - Septimius Severus

54. What governor of Upper Germany rebelled against Rome in 89, but was defeated by A. Lappius Maximus Norbanus?
- Saturninus
 - Verginius Rufus
 - Aulus Caecina
 - Dillius Vocula
55. Which Parthian king provoked Trajan in 113 by deposing the king of Armenia?
- Vologases
 - Chosroes
 - Orodes
 - Tigranes
56. Although raised a Christian, which emperor proclaimed his devotion to the old ways and rescinded laws against paganism?
- Jovian
 - Valentinian I
 - Julian
 - Valentinian III
57. The Roman Empire reached its greatest extent under the reign of which emperor?
- Septimius Severus
 - Trajan
 - Augustus
 - Hadrian
58. Which emperor suffered a stroke & died during angry negotiations with the Quadi?
- Valentinian I
 - Decius
 - Maximinus Thrax
 - Marcus Aurelius
59. What Praetorian Prefect of Gordian III proved to be a very capable adviser and virtually ran the empire until his death?
- Asclepiodotus
 - Tiberius Alexander
 - Philip the Arab
 - Timesitheus
60. Whose dying words included advice to his children to “enrich the soldiers, [but] despise all the others”?
- Constantine
 - Vespasian
 - Septimius Severus
 - Theodosius
61. What usurper, having been proclaimed emperor in Britain, was defeated by Theodosius in 388?
- Magnus Maximus
 - Eugenius
 - Arbogast
 - Merobaudes
62. Where did Honorius move the capital of the Western Empire?
- Ravenna
 - Milan
 - Byzantium
 - Ostia
63. What prefect of the city, a relative of Vespasian, negotiated Vitellius’ abdication but was lynched by the Praetorian Guard before these terms were carried out?
- Cerialis
 - Sabinus
 - Clemens
 - Domitian
64. Who finally put down the revolt of Tacfarinas during the Second Jugurthan War?
- Lentulus Gaetulicus
 - Iunius Blaesus
 - Germanicus
 - Cornelius Dolabella
65. Who was appointed to be the first **praefectus annōnae** by Augustus?
- Egnatius Rufus
 - Statilius Taurus
 - Gaius Turranius
 - Cornelius Gallus

66. What admiral of the fleet of Misenum carried out the murder of Agrippina the Younger on behalf of her son, Nero?
- Spinther
 - Anicetus
 - Burrus
 - Murena
67. Who presided over the construction of Hadrian's Wall?
- Lollius Urbicus
 - Alfenus Senecio
 - Platorius Nepos
 - Ulpus Marcellus
68. Which of the following Roman emperors was not the Praetorian Prefect of his predecessor?
- Macrinus
 - Titus
 - Philip the Arab
 - Valerian

69. Who established a "Gallic Empire" in 260 after seizing power in Gaul, Britain, and Spain?
- Postumus
 - Tetricus
 - Carausius
 - Allectus
70. Which imperial freedman served every emperor from Tiberius to Domitian and was **praepositus a ratiōnibus** under the three Flavian emperors?
- Autronius Paetus
 - Sulpicius Cornelianus
 - Herennius Picens
 - Tiberius Claudius

TIE-BREAKERS: Please mark these as #96-#100. These questions will be scored only to break ties!

96. Which emperor introduced the gold coin known as the **solidus**?
- Constantine
 - Vespasian
 - Augustus
 - Gallienus
97. Who was the mother of Arcadius & Honorius?
- Placidia
 - Flavia Galla
 - Aelia Flacilla
 - Honorina

98. Who was emperor during the eruption of Mt. Vesuvius in 79?
- Titus
 - Domitian
 - Vespasian
 - Nero
99. What were the years of Antoninus Pius' reign?
- 131 – 160
 - 131 – 161
 - 138 – 160
 - 138 – 161
100. Which successor of Augustus died in 2?
- Marcellus
 - Lucius Caesar
 - Gaius Caesar
 - Agrippa