

FJCL REGIONAL LATIN FORUM 2017
HISTORY OF THE ROMAN EMPIRE

N.B. All dates are AD unless stated otherwise.

1. Trajan's Column in Rome commemorates his victory over the
A. Parthians B. Germans C. Dacians D. Jews
2. Only 4 of Rome's 14 regions escaped damage from the Great Fire of
A. 64 B. 79 C. 131 D. 195
B.
3. Who ruled jointly with Balbinus in 238?
A. Gordian I B. Gordian II C. Pupienus D. Maximinus Thrax
4. Which emperor claimed that he was Hercules reborn?
A. Caligula B. Caracalla C. Nero D. Commodus
5. Which emperor's reign was the longest?
A. Tiberius B. Caligula C. Claudius D. Nero
6. The jurists Ulpian and Papinian were prominent during the _____ period.
A. 5 Good Emperors B. Flavian C. Julio-Claudian D. Severan
7. The term 'tetrarchy' refers to rule by how many people?
A. 2 B. 3 C. 4 D. 6
8. Which emperor set up administrative services for the public, such as police and fire departments?
A. Nerva B. Augustus C. Vespasian D. Constantine
9. Tacitus describes Domitian's reign as one of terror, possibly sparked by the conspiracy and revolt of:
A. Julius Vindex B. Calpurnius Piso C. Antonius Saturnius D. Thrasea Paetus
10. This emperor was excommunicated by Ambrose in 390 because he massacred thousands of citizens following a riot.
A. Honorius B. Gratian C. Arcadius D. Theodosius I
11. Who was the daughter of Claudius?
A. Claudia B. Octavia C. Agrippina D. Messalina

12. During the reign of Diocletian, Britain was reunited to the Empire by
 A. Constantius Chlorus B. Galerius
 C. Maximianus D. Maximin Daia
13. Upon his ascension to power, this emperor ended treason trials, granted amnesty to many exiled Romans, and swore that he would never put any of the senators to death.
 A. Diocletian B. Hadrian C. Marcus Aurelius D. Nerva
14. Which two emperors were born in the resort town of Antium?
 A. Caligula and Nero B. Tiberius and Caligula
 C. Augustus and Tiberius D. Augustus and Nero
15. Which barbarian tribe is correctly paired with its leader?
 A. Rugila of the Ostrogoths B. Ricimer of the Vandals
 C. Gaiseric of the Huns D. Ataulf of the Visigoths
16. Which emperor was captured, tortured, and humiliated by Shapur I in 260?
 A. Aemilianus B. Maximinus C. Gallienus D. Valerian
17. Vesuvius erupted during the reign of _____.
 A. Nero B. Vespasian C. Titus D. Domitian
18. Which town was NOT destroyed by the eruption of Vesuvius?
 A. Stabiae B. Heraclea C. Herculaneum D. Pompeii
19. Who lost the battle at the Milvian Bridge in 312?
 A. Decius B. Valens C. Maxentius D. Galerius
20. Which emperor counted the freedmen Pallas and Narcissus among the most important administrators in his court?
 A. Claudius B. Domitian C. Nero D. Tiberius
21. Who was the victor at the Battle of Cremona in 69?
 A. Vitellius B. Otho C. Galba D. Julius Vindex
22. In what year did Constantine enact the Edict of Milan, ending the persecution of Christians?
 A. 305 B. 312 C. 325 D. 330
23. Sejanus : Tiberius :: Plautianus : _____
 A. Romulus Augustulus B. Septimius Severus
 C. Elagabalus D. Domitian
24. The Council of Nicaea occurred during whose reign?
 A. Diocletian B. Theodosius C. Constantine D. Honorius

25. The emperor Elagabalus' real name was
 A. Marcus Aurelius Severus Antoninus B. Claudius Caesar Augustus Germanicus
 C. Sextus Varius Avitus Bassianus D. Marcus Opellius Severus Macrinus
26. Tiberius referred to this man to the Senate as the "partner of my labors."
 A. Caligula B. Drusus C. Germanicus D. Sejanus
27. Which of these is considered a Flavian emperor
 A. Otho B. Nerva C. Vitellius D. Domitian
28. Diocletian : Augustus :: _____ : Caesar
 A. Constantius B. Maximianus
 C. Carinus D. Romulus Augustulus
29. This emperor built a wall north of Hadrian's, between Firth of Clyde and Firth of Forth.
 A. Marcus Aurelius B. Septimius Severus
 C. Antonius Pius D. Constantine
30. This emperor was known as the "Apostate."
 A. Theodosius B. Julian C. Diocletian D. Maximian
31. Who was the first provincial-born emperor?
 A. Vespasian B. Domitian C. Trajan D. Nerva
32. What did Augustus do to commemorate that, after 200 years, peace had returned to the Roman people?
 A. He established a ten-day festival to be celebrated every ten years.
 B. He closed the gates of the Temple of Janus.
 C. He eliminated the military draft for ten years.
 D. He distributed 200 million sesterces to the poor citizens throughout the city.
33. Which emperor had the longest reign of all?
 A. Honorius B. Constantius II C. Theodosius II D. Hadrian
34. Although he had served as an officer in the Roman army, this man led the Batavian rebellion in 69.
 A. Fontieus Capito B. Gaius Julius Civilis
 C. Julius Paulus D. Antonius Primus
35. The Praetorian Guard auctioned the title of emperor to Julianus after the murder of:
 A. Pertinax B. Caracalla C. Philip the Arab D. Commodus

36. Who was outbid for the title of emperor in 169?
 A. Pertinax B. Clodius Albinus C. Pescennius Niger D. Sulpicianus
37. Germanicus' popularity as a commander is reflected in his son's nickname, "Little _____"
 A. Cloak B. Boot C. Greek D. Sword
38. Aurelian received the title "Restitutor Orbis" – Restorer of the World – when he reunited the _____ Empire to the Roman Empire.
 A. Gallic B. Palmyrene C. Byzantine D. Frankish
39. Which fourth-century emperor attempted a revival of paganism in the Empire?
 A. Julian B. Decius C. Constantine D. Jovian
40. Severus Alexander saw this man, the prefect of the Praetorian Guard, murdered by his own men.
 A. Ulpian B. Macrinus C. Papinianus D. Crispinus
41. In 27 B.C., what did Octavian receive along with the title of Augustus?
 A. tribunicia potestas for life
 B. control of the state religion for life
 C. imperium over Spain, Gaul, Syria, and Egypt for ten years
 D. dictatorial powers in Rome and Italy for five years
42. In addition to being a Roman emperor, Hadrian was an accomplished
 A. architect B. chariot racer C. philosopher D. playwright
43. The Constitutio Antoniniana, granting citizenship to all free men living in the Empire, was proclaimed by
 A. Antoninus Pius B. Caracalla C. Elagabalus D. Marcus Aurelius
44. The victor over the Caledonian tribes at Mons Graupius in 83 was Tacitus' father-in-law:
 A. Agricola B. Cerialis C. Frontinus D. Paulinus
45. The principate established by Augustus came to an end in the year
 A. 68 B. 96 C. 180 D. 284
46. The Antonine Plague, brought from the East by soldiers, spread through the Empire during whose reign?
 A. Tiberius B. Caracalla C. Marcus Aurelius D. Septimius Severus

47. The Antonine Plague was recorded for posterity by this notably physician and medical writer
- A. Galen
 - B. Gellius
 - C. Fronto
 - D. Apollodorus of Damascus
48. Which of the following emperors was NOT murdered?
- A. Commodus
 - B. Didius Julianus
 - C. Diocletian
 - D. Elagabalus
49. At what battle did the emperor Valens die?
- A. Samarra
 - B. Adrianople
 - C. Abrittus
 - D. Verona
50. Barbarians gained full control of the Western Empire in what year?
- A. 285
 - B. 333
 - C. 395
 - D. 476