


**REGIONAL LATIN FORUM 2010**  
**HISTORY OF THE ROMAN EMPIRE**

1. The rule of Augustus initiated which era in history?  
a. Pax Romana            c. Pax Augustina            b. Pax Principatis            d. Pax Octaviana
2. Which was NOT a province given to Augustus by the senate in 27 BC?  
a. Gaul            b. Macedonia            c. Syria            d. Egypt
3. Marcus Aurelius' first co-emperor was:  
a. Lucius Verus            b. Commodus            c. Antoninus Pius            d. Caracalla
4. Who was the last emperor prior to the advent of the Flavian dynasty?  
a. Galba            b. Otho            c. Vitellius            d. Trajan
5. During whose rule was the  symbol first seen upon legionary shields?  
a. Philip the Arab            b. Constantine            c. Nerva            d. Theodosius
6. Which famous personage participated in the First Council of Nicaea in 325?  
a. Clement of Rome            b. Theodorus of Mopsuestia  
c. Maximus Confessor            d. St. Nicholas
7. Which of the following was NOT a Julio-Claudian?  
a. Aurelian            b. Tiberius            c. Nero            d. Caligula
8. Which of the following was the brother of Claudius?  
a. Agrippa            b. Caligula            c. Drusus            d. Germanicus
9. Julius Vindex, governor of Gallia, backed which of these men as emperor?  
a. Galba            b. Otho            c. Vitellius            d. Vespasian
10. Who assassinated Caligula?  
a. Pescennius Niger            b. Sejanus            c. Cassius Chaerea            d. Antoninus
11. Commodus wanted to be considered a reincarnation of:  
a. Aeneas            b. Hercules            c. Orion            d. Ajax Telemachus
12. Which of these was NOT emperor in the year 238?  
a. Balbinus            b. Gordian III            c. Valentinian II            d. Pupienus
13. This emperor introduced adoption as a way to get the best man to become emperor.  
a. Trajan            b. Nerva            c. Marcus Aurelius            d. Hadrian
14. Which of the following was a consequence of the battle of Pons Milvius?  
a. The tetrarchy ended.            b. The Eastern and Western Roman Empires were united.  
c. Maximian gained the title Augustus.            d. Maxentius was defeated by Constantine.
15. Which governor of Britannia defeated the Caledonians at the Battle of Mons Graupius?  
a. Agricola            b. Cerialis            c. Frontinus            d. Paulinus

16. Who ruled during Rome's 900<sup>th</sup> anniversary?  
 a. Gordian I                      b. Marcus Aurelius                      c. Antoninus Pius                      d. Philip the Arab
17. Who was the Roman general who fought Attila at the Battle of the Catalaunian Plains?  
 a. Alaric                      b. Aetius                      c. Arcadius                      d. Stilicho
18. All the following are known as "Flavians" *EXCEPT*:  
 a. Vespasian                      b. Vitellius                      c. Titus                      d. Domitian
19. Which emperor's real name was L. Domitius Ahenobarbus?  
 a. Caracalla                      b. Caligula                      c. Nero                      d. Elagabalus
20. Who was the first emperor not born in Italy?  
 a. Nerva                      b. Trajan                      c. Galba                      d. Vitellius
21. Who was the first emperor to die in battle against a foreign enemy?  
 a. Decius                      b. Gordianus III                      c. Maximinus Thrax                      d. Valerian
22. Which emperor was called "restorer of the world?"  
 a. Augustus                      b. Constantine                      c. Aurelian                      d. Nerva
23. Construction of the Colosseum was begun under  
 a. Titus                      b. Nero                      c. Claudius                      d. Vespasian
24. The first of the Five Good Emperors was  
 a. Marcus Aurelius.                      b. Lucius Verus.                      c. Cocceius Nerva.                      d. Antoninus Pius.
25. Which of the following ruled and died during the Year of the Five Emperors?  
 a. Pertinax                      b. Otho                      c. Commodus                      d. Balbinus
26. Didianus is famous for winning the empire in an auction. Whom did he beat?  
 a. Commodus                      b. Septimius Severus                      c. Pertinax                      d. Sulpicianus.
27. The emperor Geta was killed by his brother and co-emperor  
 a. Commodus.                      b. Severus Alexander.                      c. Elagabalus.                      d. Caracalla.
28. Which emperor was the first to invade Britain?  
 a. Caligula                      b. Claudius                      c. Titus                      d. Vespasian
29. The mother of the emperor Tiberius was  
 a. Agrippina the Elder.                      b. Antonia.                      c. Livia.                      d. Octavia.
30. At his death, Theodosius divided the empire between  
 a. Eugenius and Theodosius II.                      b. Stilicho and Attalus.  
 c. Eutropius and Rufinus.                      d. Arcadius and Honorius.
31. The second emperor in the Flavian dynasty:  
 a. Domitian                      b. Titus                      c. Vitellius                      d. Vespasian

32. Which emperor built the Domus Aurea in Rome?  
 a. Hadrian                      b. Trajan                      c. Nero                      d. Claudius
33. According to Tacitus, which of the following was a loyal client king of Rome?  
 a. Cogidubnus of the Regnenses                      b. Artur of Camulodunum  
 c. Caratacus of the Catavellauni                      d. Vercingetorix of the Arverni
34. In AD 410, which commander had died, and so was unable to save Rome as he had in years past?  
 a. Aetius                      b. Stilicho                      c. Theodosius I                      d. Rufinus
35. Which emperor subdued the Dacian menace by defeating their crafty king, Decebalus?  
 a. Marcus Aurelius                      b. Antoninus Pius                      c. Hadrian                      d. Trajan
36. The emperor who gave citizenship to all free men in the Empire was  
 a. Geta.                      b. Hadrian.                      c. Caracalla.                      d. Trajan.
37. Who deposed the last Western Roman Emperor?  
 a. Alaric                      b. Attila                      c. Odoacer                      d. Ricimer
38. What Roman general lost three legions in the Teutoburg Forest in A.D. 9?  
 a. Marcellus                      b. Germanicus                      c. Tiberius                      d. Varus
39. The emperor who was defeated by the Goths at the Battle of Adrianople was  
 a. Valens.                      b. Julian.                      c. Gratian.                      d. Valentinian I.
40. The emperor who was a Praetorian Prefect and killed his predecessor was  
 a. Aurelian.                      b. Macrinus.                      c. Julian.                      d. Pertinax.
41. Who oversaw the original building of Rome's great Pantheon?  
 a. M. Agrippa                      b. L. Caesar                      c. Marcellus                      d. Tiberius
42. The last male heir and emperor of the Constantinian dynasty was  
 a. Constans.                      b. Gratian.                      c. Jovian.                      d. Julian the Apostate.
43. Which emperor reconstructed Hadrian's Wall?  
 a. Antoninus Pius                      b. Aurelian                      c. Constantine                      d. Septimius Severus
44. Which Roman general marched against Masada during the Jewish War in AD 72?  
 a. Flavius Silva                      b. Titus                      c. Vespasian                      d. Josephus
45. The last emperor to rule both the Eastern and Western Empire was  
 a. Theodosius I.                      b. Honorius.                      c. Romulus Augustulus.                      d. Valens.
46. Which two emperors ruled the West under the original Tetrarchy?  
 a. Diocletian & Galerius                      b. Maximian & Maximinus Daia  
 c. Diocletian & Severus                      d. Maximian & Constantius Chlorus
47. Which two break-away empires were restored to the Roman Empire by Aurelian?  
 a. Gallic and Numidian                      b. Gallic and Palmyrene  
 c. Gallic and Dacian                      d. Gallic and Iberic

48. Shapur I is said to have publicly shamed which Roman Emperor by using him as a footstool when mounting his horse?

- a. Valerian                      b. Aurelian                      c. Tacitus                      d. Gallienus

49. Which emperor had as his regents, his grandmother and then his mother?

- a. Caracalla                      b. Geta                      c. Severus Alexander                      d. Elagabalus

50. Which of the following fast growing sects did Emperor Elagabalus foster during his reign?

- a. Mithras                      b. Isis                      c. Sol Invictus                      d. Zoroaster