

# 2008 LOUISIANA STATE JCL CONVENTION

## Roman Life and Customs Test – All Levels

Choose the best answer.

1. The most common form of punishment for slaves was:  
a) execution                      b) imprisonment                      c) flogging                      d) dismemberment
2. Which of the following tribes was NOT *foederati*?  
a) Visigoth                      b) Vandal                      c) Latini                      d) Attacotti
3. Which of the following weapons was never used by Roman soldiers?  
a) pikes                      b) slings                      c) javelins                      d) clubs
4. Chose the position that is correctly matched with the color of footwear:  
a) soldier- green                      b) patrician- white                      c) senator- brown                      d) consul- orange
5. In a Roman theater, senators sat in the:  
a) *orchestra*                      b) *proscenium*                      c) *praecinto*                      d) *cunei*
6. Which road in Italy was famous for its mausoleums and monuments?  
a) Via Flaminia                      b) Via Sacra                      c) Via Appia                      d) none of the above
7. Which of the following was the duty of an Aedile?  
a) manage public games                      b) care of public works  
c) A and B                      d) none of the above
8. Intermarriage between patricians and plebians was first allowed in:  
a) 494 B.C.                      b) 445 B.C.                      c) 389 B.C.                      d) 303 B.C.
9. The first five years of a Roman school boy's education were devoted almost exclusively to:  
a) writing and arithmetic                      b) rhetoric  
c) social etiquette                      d) grammar and literature
10. The *toga praetexta* was distinguished by:  
a) extra fabric                      b) a broad purple stripe  
c) being made of linen                      d) being wrapped close to the body
11. Which room of a Roman bath was designated for hot baths?  
a) *caldarium*                      b) *tepidarium*                      c) *frigidarium*                      d) *unctorium*

12. Which of the following was a type of comic performance?  
a) mimi                      b) fabulae palliate      c) attellanae                      d) all of the above
13. Because of its resemblance to pigeon houses, these structures were called *columbaria*:  
a) warehouses                      b) military quarters      c) family tombs                      d) apartments
14. Which of the following meats did the Romans consider the least edible?  
a) goat                      b) mutton                      c) beef                      d) pork
15. The "Tabula Veria" in the Curia depicts:  
a) Roman victory over the Carthaginians      b) Romulus and Remus with the she-wolf  
c) the Horatii and Curiatii                      d) the Sack of Troy
16. Although there was no minimum legal age for a Roman bride, most were at least \_\_\_\_\_ years old.  
a) 11                      b) 12                      c) 13                      d) 14
17. Which of the following musical instruments does not belong?  
a) Ascaulus                      b) Lyre                      c) Lute                      d) Kithara
18. Which emperor made it fashionable for Roman men to wear full beards?  
a) Augustus                      b) Claudius                      c) Vespasian                      d) Hadrian
19. Typically, Roman girls were educated by:  
a) teachers                      b) slaves                      c) mothers                      d) all of the above
20. Which of the following pieces of equipment would a Roman soldier NOT have?  
a) *pugio*                      b) *ostreae*                      c) *scutum*                      d) *contus*
21. Under the Roman Republic, most slaves were:  
a) war captives                      b) debtors                      c) highly educated                      d) children
22. Which of the following is NOT a Roman architectural feature?  
a) dome                      b) arch                      c) castellation                      d) columns
23. Which of the following is NOT a patrician tribe?  
a) Ramnenses                      b) Titientes                      c) Julians                      d) Luceres
24. In addition to his sword and spear, a Roman soldier was equipped with a:  
a) horse                      b) shovel                      c) bow and arrows                      d) signal flare
25. Who would be considered *mancipia*?  
a) children                      b) slaves                      c) clientela                      d) patriarchs



40. Which of the following terms refers to a Roman's grandchild?  
a) *abavus*                      b) *avunculus*                      c) *nepos*                      d) *avius*

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41. What did the Romans call the charm or amulet that little children wore around the neck?  
a) *bullā*                      b) *tessera*                      c) *crepundia*                      d) *lacerna*
42. The first Roman houses were originally \_\_\_\_\_ in design.  
a) Oscan                      b) Greek                      c) Etruscan                      d) none of the above
43. Which of the following meals was eaten immediately after rising in the morning?  
a) *ientaculum*                      b) *prandium*                      c) *oeci*                      d) *merenda*
44. How long was the warranty on a slave that was bought at auction?  
a) There was none                      b) 24 hours                      c) 3 months                      d) 6 months
45. The first Roman houses were one room structures. Later, a second room was added. This new room was called the:  
a) *culina*                      b) *biblioteca*                      c) *tablinum*                      d) *cubiculum*