Ancient Rome Study Guide Answers

1. **Aqueduct** – Aqueducts were used by the Ancient Romans to bring fresh water into the city.

2. **First Punic War** – The First Punic War was a battle between Rome and Carthage over the island of Sicily. The Romans won the war, forcing Carthage to give up control of the island.

3. **Second Punic War** – In the Second Punic War, Carthage sent a general, Hannibal, to attack Rome. He crossed the Alps on elephants but had to retreat because Roman legions attacked his homeland of Carthage. Rome wins again.

4. **Third Punic War** – Rome was still mad at Carthage, so they decided to destroy Carthage by slaughtering the people, burning the harbors and salting the farmland. Carthage is no more.

5. **Rome’s nickname** – The nickname of Rome is the Eternal City.

6. **Gladiator** – Gladiators were slaves or criminals who fought in the Colosseum for entertainment.

7. **Colosseum** – The huge outdoor Amphitheater made famous by Romans to house gladiator battles and other forms of entertainment.

8. **First Emperor of Rome** – Octavian Augustus Caesar was the first emperor of Rome.

9. **Pax Romana** – Rome lived in peace for 200 years; this was called the Pax Romana or “Peace of Rome.”

10. **Patrician** – Patricians were noble families of Rome.

11. **Plebeian** – Plebeians were farmers, merchants and artisans of Rome.

12. **Significance of the Tiber River** – Rome was built on the Tiber River.

13. **Rome’s most important achievement** – Rome’s most important achievement is the sewer.

14. **Dictator for Life, murdered by 60 senators** – Julius Caesar was named dictator for life and murdered by the senators.

15. Benefits for building roads in the Roman Empire:
   
   1. trade
   3. Travel
   
   3. Move Troops
   4. Collect Taxes
16. **Write the legend of Romulus and Remus and paragraph form.** According to legend, twin boys were born to the god Mars and the mortal woman Rhea Sylvia. This angered their wicked Uncle who had them both thrown into the Tiber River to drown. The boys began to cry and drew the attention of a she-wolf who found them; and took them to her den. She raised the boys as her own because they reminded her of her cubs. As the boys began to mature, they started wandering off from the den where they were found by a shepherd who adopted them. After they grew into men, they learned of their true birthright, and returned to their homeland. They began building a city and expelled the unlawful king. They fought over the name of the city until Remus was dead at the hands of his brother. Rome was named for Romulus the victorious brother.

17. Reasons Rome is an ideal city:

1. It was located on the Tiber River.
2. It has natural barriers (mountains and water).
3. It had fertile soil for farmland.
4. It had an abundance of stone and wood.

18. **Constantine** – Constantine was the Roman emperor who ended the persecution of Christians and legalized Christianity. He was baptized on his death bed.

19. **Consuls** – The consuls were the two elected representatives of the senate who held office for 1 year.

20. **Latin** – The official language of Rome was Latin.

21. **I forbid** – Veto is Latin for “I forbid.”

22. **First Triumvirate included** - Julius Caesar, Pompey and Crassus were members of the first Triumvirate.

23. **Continent the city of Rome is located.** Europe is the continent where Rome is located.

24. **Romans overthrew their Etruscan king and set up a Republic as their government prior to becoming an empire.**

25. **Crucifixion** – Crucifixion is the preferred method of Roman torture where people were hung from crosses and displayed as a deterrent to would-be criminals.