**Ancient Rome Test Review**

Geography

1. How did geography shape the early development of Rome?

Centrally located, allowed for access to most places

1. What are some of the major geographic features that make up Italy? (Mountain ranges, seas, etc.)

Peninsula, Alps mountain range, Meditteranean Sea (access for trade)

The Republic

1. What were some of the powers held by the Senate, Consuls, Assembly?

(see pink chart)

1. Who were the wealthy group of people that made up the majority of the Senate?

Patricians

1. Who made up the common people, how did they eventually take part in the republic?

Plebeians (gained rights to own assembly – elected Tribunes)

1. What was the cause of the Punic Wars? Who fought in the Punic Wars? Who was Hannibal?

Cause: trade rights with Mediterranean

Rome and Carthage fought- Hannibal was general who led attack over the Alps (elephants)

1. What happened to the landless farmers? How did the start the change of Rome from a Republic to Empire?

They lost their farmland and went back to Rome to the city with the rest of the unemployed…civil war erupts

The Roman Empire

1. What is meant by the term Mare Nostrum?

Our Sea- slogan of Rome meaning the Meditteranean control was theirs

1. Who was Julius Caesar? What were his accomplishments? What happened to him?

JC- general who took power

Reforms: gave citizenship to people of conquered provinces

* Julian Calendar
* Public works projects

He was assassinated (Ides of March)

1. Who was Octavian (Augustus)? What were his accomplishments?

Great grandnephew of Julius Caesar. Ruler during Pax Romana

1. What was the Pax Romana? Explain.

Period of peace and prosperity (similar to Greece’s Golden Age)

Roman Achievement

1. What were some of the Roman achievements in Art, Architecture, Literature, and Technology?

Acqueducts

Coliseum

Pantheon

1. What were some of the achievements of Roman Law that exist today?

People of same status punished equally

Most be proven guilty beyond “daylight”

Innocent until proven guilty

Roman Decline

1. How were early Christians treated in the Roman Empire?

Persecuted

1. How did the emperors try to stop the crisis in the empire?
   1. Diocletian- divided empire in two, tried to stop inflation
   2. Constantine- name of capital city?

Constantinople= name of capital city.

Granted toleration for Christians

1. What were some of the social, political, economic and militaristic causes for the downfall of the Roman Empire?

(See decline of Rome diagram)

Key Terms and People:

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| * Republic * Tiberius and Gracchus * Patricians * Plebeians * Consuls * Senate * 12 Tables | * Mare Nostrum * Pax Romana * Aqueducts * Pantheon * Gladiator * Julius Caesar | * First Triumvirate * Octavian (Augustus) * Marcus Aurelius * Constantine * Diocletian |