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**Social Studies Test over Ancient Rome**

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**Part One: The Geography of Ancient Rome**

What did the early settlers look for when deciding where to build their cities, and how did the site chosen for Rome fit these criteria?

Describe the physical properties of Rome’s location.

What types of farms flourished on the Italian peninsula?

**Words to know:**

Apennine Mountains

Alps

Tiber River

Adriatic Sea

Ionian Sea

Mediterranean Sea

Villas

**Part Two: Early Roman Cultures / The Roman Republic**

Summarize the Legend of Romulus and Remus.

How many kings ruled over Rome?

Identify and describe the main two social classes in Ancient Rome?

What was the Republic like before the plebeians succeeded? What was it like after?

\*Identify and describe the three branches of the Roman Republic. Use t-chart to help you study.

What role did women and slaves play in Roman society?

**Words to know:**

Etruscans

Patricians

Plebeians

Senate

Consuls

Assembly/ Council of Plebeians

Republic

The Twelve Tablets

Forum

Veto

Tribunes

**Part Three: Legacies of the Ancient Romans**

Identify and describe Roman engineering achievements.

Describe the structure of a Roman road. Who built them and why?

How were the Romans able to build larger structures than the Greeks?

What was the purpose of designing a complicated plumbing system in Rome?

**Words to know:**

Etruscan Arch

Keystone

Aqueducts

Roman Law

Gladiator

The Coliseum

**Part Four: Great Leaders of Rome / The Fall of the Roman Empire**

Why was Julius Caesar assassinated? Did the assassination achieve its goal?

How many dynasties of emperors did Rome have?

What was the significance of Augustus Caesar’s decree on taxes and population census?

Describe how Roman leaders treated Christians, specifically from A.D. 250 to A.D. 311.

What made Constantine a unique emperor?

**Words and People to know:**

Julius Caesar

Dynasty

Caesar Augustus

Nero

Constantine

Constantinople

Pax Romana

Monasteries

Eastern Byzantine Empire

Western Roman Empire