

## REGIONAL LATIN FORUM 1996

### CUSTOMS

1. Business in the Senate began about the third hour or  
a. 7 a.m. b. 9 a.m. c. 11 a.m. d. 3 p.m.
2. Crepundia, trochi, and pilae were Roman  
a. weapons. b. toys. c. articles of clothing. d. foods.
3. Which vegetable was believed by the Romans to cure a wide  
variety of ailments?  
a. cabbage b. onions c. beans d. turnips
4. Which of the following foods was **NOT** eaten by the Romans?  
a. pork b. ostrich c. corn d. asparagus
5. In what room of a Roman house was the arca kept?  
a. atrium b. cubiculum c. tablinum d. bibliotheca
6. According to Cato, which is the most important part of a  
farm?  
a. olive grove b. vineyard c. grain field  
d. vegetable garden
7. To which class did lictors belong?  
a. slave b. freedman c. plebeian d. patrician
8. A \_\_\_\_\_ began each day with the salutatio:  
a. soldier b. paedagogus c. client d. haruspex
9. When a gladiator was presented with a wooden sword, it meant  
that he  
a. was to be killed. b. could retire.  
c. should spare his opponent. d. had killed his first man.
10. Which of the following was **NOT** a requirement for becoming a  
Vestal Virgin?  
a. a commitment of 30 years b. descent from a Vestal  
c. younger than 10 years old d. both parents living
11. A lawyer was paid  
a. only if he won the case. b. from the state treasury.  
c. by his client. d. nothing.
12. Which type of gladiator fought from a light two-wheeled  
chariot?  
a. secutor b. essedarius c. myrmillo d. andabata
13. A mulleus was  
a. a cloak worn by soldiers. b. a shoe worn by patricians.  
c. a type of hairpin. d. the head covering of a priest.

14. Which room in a public bath would have been farthest from the hypocaust?  
a. caldarium b. laconicum c. tepidarium d. apodyterium
15. Which type of table was used as a sideboard to hold dishes?  
a. abacus b. monopodium c. mensa delphica d. fulcrum
16. Our equivalent of the Roman date a.d. V. Kal. Feb.:  
a. January 27 b. January 28 c. February 4 d. February 5
17. Consuls were elected by the  
a. Senatus. b. Concilium Plebis. c. Comitia Centuriata.  
d. Comitia Tributa.
18. During which part of a Roman meal was mulsum served?  
a. ientaculum b. gustatio c. fercula d. secunda mensa
19. The knot of Hercules was used to fasten a  
a. bride's tunic. b. general's cloak. c. horse's reins.  
d. gladiator's helmet.
20. Romans set up a couch for Juno and a table of food for Hercules to  
a. prevent the death of a slave.  
b. ensure a happy marriage.  
c. guard against poverty.  
d. protect a newborn baby.
21. Except in cases of extreme drought, the \_\_\_\_\_ were always supplied with water.  
a. homes of the rich b. public baths c. factories  
d. public fountains
22. The agnomen "Cornelianus" indicates that the man was  
a. the slave of Cornelius. b. the son of Cornelius.  
c. adopted by Cornelius. d. freed by Cornelius.
23. Which of the following would need the services of a designator?  
a. a child in school b. a man accused of a crime  
c. a Roman general d. a widow
24. Most physicians in Rome were from  
a. Greece. b. Egypt. c. the patrician class.  
d. the equestrian class.
25. People of the lower classes would have worn all of the following EXCEPT  
a. pilleus. b. abolla. c. synthesis. d. lacerna.
26. The toga pulla was worn by  
a. augurs. b. old men. c. priests. d. mourners.

27. The magister bibendi was chosen by  
a. a throw of the tali. b. the host. c. age. d. rank.
28. Tabellarii were slaves in charge of  
a. the library. b. the household accounts.  
c. delivering mail. d. official court records.
29. Where in a Roman house would a scamnum be kept?  
a. in the culina b. in the alae c. next to a lectus  
d. in the middle of the peristylum
30. Which of the factiones did the emperor back?  
a. Reds b. Whites c. Blues d. Greens
31. Asinius Pollio built the first \_\_\_\_\_ in Rome.  
a. aqueduct b. circus c. theater d. public library
32. A Roman woman could have owned all of the following EXCEPT  
a. pearl earrings. b. an ivory hairpin. c. a diamond ring.  
d. an emerald brooch.
33. Before the time of Augustus, paupers were buried in large pits located  
a. on the Esquiline Hill. b. outside the city walls.  
c. in the Campus Martius. d. near the Forum.
34. The Salii Collini were in charge of the worship of  
a. Jupiter. b. the deified Romulus. c. Mars.  
d. the emperor.
35. Matertera : avunculus :: amita ;  
a. patruus b. avus c. consobrinus d. nurus
36. A slave with a pierced ear  
a. was a troublemaker. b. had tried to run away.  
c. was from the East. d. had some physical defect.
37. A grammaticus would have spent most of his time teaching  
a. writing. b. Greek literature. c. rhetoric. d. reading.
38. A man traveling alone who wished to cover a long distance rapidly would use a  
a. cisium. b. raeda. c. plaustrum. d. basterna.
39. Which of the following would own a sarcina?  
a. censor b. gladiator c. bride d. soldier
40. Ludi scaenici were held in the  
a. Campus Martius. b. Colosseum. c. theater  
d. circus.

41. Which of the following was **NOT** a product of grapes?  
a. acetum b. mustum c. amurca d. mulsum
42. A meta and a catillus were used by a(n)  
a. pistor. b. funditor. c. auriga. d. vilicus.
43. Which of the following correctly pairs a gladiator against his traditional opponent?  
a. Retiarius - Secutor b. Samnis - Myrmillo  
c. Essedarius - Thrax d. Hoplomachus - Andabata
44. Which date would a bride be likely to choose for her wedding?  
a. February 21 b. May 3 c. June 1 d. July 5
45. Which type of atrium had no compluvium?  
a. Tuscan b. tetrastylon c. displuviatum d. testudinatum
46. How many circuses were there in the city of Rome?  
a. one b. two c. three d. four
47. On February 22 a Roman would probably  
a. begin a week-long festival in memory of the dead.  
b. celebrate Mother's Day.  
c. attend a family reunion.  
d. start school.
48. The term manus refers to  
a. a husband's authority over his wife.  
b. a punishment for school children.  
c. a slave's personal property.  
d. the grain dole.
49. Women were charged \_\_\_\_\_ at the baths.  
a. nothing. b. less than men c. the same as men  
d. more than men
50. How did a Roman general guard against envy in a triumphal procession?  
a. carried olive branches b. wore his bulla  
c. wore a plain white toga d. rode with a slave