

Roman History Timeline Activity

Answer the questions and give the year(s) in which each event occurred. All answers should be on a separate sheet of paper, **not on the timeline**.

- 1) Rome Founded: Describe the legend of the founding of Rome. How is it different from the reality?
- 2) Roman Republic Established: Define republic. Who could vote? Briefly describe government under the Roman Republic- include consuls, the senate, and dictators.
- 3) Punic Wars: Why were the Punic Wars fought? Who was involved? How many were there? Who was the famous general of the Second Punic War?
- 4) Julius Caesar Becomes Dictator: Describe Julius Caesar's rise to power. What happened to him?
- 5) Augustus Caesar Becomes Emperor: Describe Augustus' (Octavian's) rise to power under the Second Triumvirate. How was the Empire different from the Republic?
- 6) Pax Romana: What is the *Pax Romana* and how long did it last?
- 7) Jesus' Lifetime: What were the apostles? Why was Paul the most important? Why were Roman rulers opposed to early Christians?
- 8) Jewish Diaspora: What is the Diaspora? Why did the Romans disperse the Jews?
- 9) Constantine's Edict of Milan: What did the Edict of Milan say? Why did Constantine approve of Christianity?
- 10) Constantine Moves the Capital: Where did Constantine move the capital? How do you think this city got its name? What effect did moving the capital have on the city of Rome?
- 11) Christianity Becomes Official Religion of the Empire: What emperor made this change? Describe the structure of the Church. Why is the Bishop of Rome considered the Pope?
- 12) Collapse of the Western Empire: Tell four factors that weakened the Roman Empire. What led to the collapse of the Western Empire?

When you have answered all your questions, create a timeline and place your events with the date on the timeline. This should be on a poster board. Draw/print a picture on the board to **illustrate each event** (keep it small).

Questions (5 pts each)	60 pts
Pictures (1 pt each)	12 pts
Dates (1 pt each)	12 pts
Timeline correctly presented	12 pts
Creativity/color	4 pts