**Across**

2) The place where Julius Caesar first gained fame for his military prowess.

4) Roman commoners

5) The name given by Greeks and Romans to those who were not one of them.

9) The emperor of the Eastern Roman Empire, which became the Byzantine Empire.

13) This Roman government body was often at odds with the emperor.

14) The oldest male in a Roman household, who had control of everyone in the family.

15) The Roman emperor who is accused of “fiddling” while Rome burned.

16) The resort town in southern Italy that was destroyed by the eruption of Mt. Vesuvius

18) a.k.a. the Flavian Amphitheater, this grand stadium built by the Emperor Vespasian was where the gladiatorial games were held.

20) Often slaves or captives, these men were trained to fight other men or wild animals for the pleasure of the watching Romans.

21) The emperor who made Christianity the official religion of Rome.

22) These Roman engineering constructs revolutionized agriculture and culture by transporting water to areas where it might otherwise have been scarce.

**Down**

1) This era of Roman history ended when Julius Caesar crossed the Rubicon and declared himself emperor.

3) Literally, “The Roman Peace” - a period of peace in the empire in which arts, architecture, and literature flourished.

6) The Christian martyr who died after bringing the faith to Rome itself.

7) The Roman counterpart to the Greeks’ Zeus; the supreme god in the Roman pantheon.

8) The Roman emperor who likely suffered from a mental illness, who was a decent ruler for the first two years of his rule, but who then became a horrible, degenerate despot.

10) Theodosius’ wife and queen, who had been a prostitute, but who as queen proved to be an astute political advisor and empress.

11) The Germanic barbarians who sacked Rome in the summer of 410 CE, ending the Roman Empire as a world power.

12) The elite noble class of Roman society

17) The name of the Roman emperor before he became Augustus Caesar.

19) the highest elected political office of the Roman Republic

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