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Scavenger Hunt, Part II

Address: <http://www.ancientcoinsforeducation.org>

1. Go to the “ACE” website above and choose “Links”. Then choose “Attribution Assistance Sites”
2. Click on “Anatomy of a Roman Coin” and skim it as a warm-up to this exercise.
3. Now, using the other links which give abbreviation lists, emperor lists, and mint marks, decipher the following inscriptions on coins coming roughly from the period as our coins. Write out the Latin word for which each abbreviation stands. Then, translate the inscription into English.

Nota Bene! Actual coins do not have spaces between abbreviations.

Coin #1

Obverse: CONSTANTINVS PF AVG
Reverse: VICTORIAE DD NN AVGG
(Hint: double letters stand for the plural)

Coin #2

Obverse: CONSTANTINVS IVN NOB C
Reverse: GLORIA EXERCITVS

QUESTION: What is the difference between an emperor and a caesar?

Coin #3

Obverse: FL IVL CONSTANTIVS PF AVG (Hint: Careful--different emperor!)
Reverse: FEL TEMP REPARATIO

Coin #4

Obverse: FL CL IVLIANVS PP AVG
Reverse: VOT X MVLT XX

4. Tell the mint locations of coins with the following abbreviations in their exergue. Also after looking at a mint map, tell briefly where these locations were in the Roman world.

Mint Map: http://ancientcoinsforeducation.org/gallery2/main.php?g2_itemId=365:

Exergue #1: ROM

Exergue #2: K

Exergue #3: CN

Exergue #4: SIS

Exergue #5: TE