

1. iugera	a measure of land	26. novus homo	literally, 'new man' - the first in a family to reach the consulship
2. ius fetiale	sacred rules and regulations to do with declaring war and making treaties	27. optimates	best man' - a term coming into use after the time of the Gracchi and referring to the majority of the members of the senatorial oligarchy, who wished to maintain the status quo whereby that body controlled the Roman state
3. lapilli	small, round fragments of lava ejected from a volcano during an eruption	28. optimo iure	full Roman citizenship, with private and public rights
4. lararium	a small shrine in a private home where the Lares were worshipped	29. palaestra	an open courtyard surrounded with porticoes and used as a training field
5. laticlave	purple stripe on the tunic of a Roman senator	30. pater patriae	father of the country
6. legati legionis	commanders of a legion and auxilia, normally of praetorian rank, in the first centuries AD		
7. legatu propraetore	governor (from the time of Augustus) of a province where there was more than one legion, sometimes appointed to carry out special work special work for the emperor		
8. lex (leges)	law(s)		
9. libertini	freedman (former slaves)		
10. lictor	one of the attendants of magistrates with imperium, carried the fasces (symbols of the magistrates' power)		
11. Ludi Iuvenales	Youth Games, sometimes referred to as the Juvenalia		
12. magister equitum	master of the horse; assistant to the dictator		
13. maiestas	treason		
14. maius imperium	imperium greater than all others		
15. maniple	a tactical unit of a legion		
16. manus	complete disciplinary control		
17. mensa ponderaria	weighing table		
18. mithraea	shrines dedicated to the worship of Mithras		
19. mos maiorum	ancestral custom		
20. muli Mariani	Marius' mules - soldiers from the time of Marius' military reforms who carried all their needs (weapons, food, entrenching tools)		
21. municipia	communities that had received partial Roman citizenship		
22. natatio	swimming		
23. necropoleis	literally, 'cities of the dead' - cemeteries containing streets lined with tombs		
24. nefastus	literally, 'forbidden' - describing days in the calendar on which certain types of public business could not be carried out		
25. nomen	clan name		