

ARCHAEOLOGY 225
THE ROMAN AND BYZANTINE NEAR EAST
Monday, 30 Jan 2006, 3.00 p.m.

Time allowed: **TWO** hours

Answer **ALL** sections.

SECTION 1

ESSAY QUESTIONS (20% of final grade)

Answer **ONE** of the following in the form of an essay. Read the question carefully and make sure you answer what is being asked. The information you provide must be relevant to the question. Irrelevant information will not earn any extra marks.

1. In what ways did the development of the marble trade affect the material culture of the Roman Near East?
2. What were the functions of mosaic floors in private houses? What do they tell us about the culture of their owners? Are they an accurate reflection of culture in the Roman Near East?
3. What purposes did public architecture serve in the cities of the Near East? Was there any single, general purpose that all buildings served? (Note that it is not enough simply to describe the types of building to complete this answer.)

SECTION 2 (20% of final grade)

Identify and comment on **TWO** of the things depicted on the second sheet of the exam paper.



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