The Walls of Rome

[1]

Rome, founded on the banks of the Tiber River, boasts two ancient walls that, when they were built, surrounded the city. [A] Although both were built as walls intended to defend the city protectively and

stood ten meters tall they were erected under different historical circumstances.

[2]

It's thought that the Servian Wall was constructed in the early fourth century BCE and named after Servius Tullius, who was the sixth king of Rome. The eleven-kilometer wall encircled Rome's seven hills and stood entirely on the east side of the Tiber River. [B]

[3]

The Aurelian Wall, built in the late third century CE by the Roman Emperor Aurelian,

was more sturdier than the older wall. It was nineteen

kilometers long greatly expanded and surrounded the

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city of Rome as well as a small section of the Tiber's
west bank. Erected almost 600 years after the Servian
Wall, the Aurelian Wall protected Rome while the army
was away, defending the empire's far-flung frontiers
from enemy attacks. [C] The massive wall deterred many
enemies who might have been tempted to attack Rome
during those intervals the city was sparsely defended.

- 46. F. NO CHANGE
 - G. defensive walls for defending the city
 - H. walls to provide defensive protection
 - J. defensive walls
- 47. A. NO CHANGE
 - B. tall. They
 - C. tall, they
 - D. tall; they
- 48. F. NO CHANGE
 - G. Among historians, its
 - H. Its'
 - J. Its
- 49. A. NO CHANGE
 - B. Wall had been
 - C. Wall, which,
 - D. Wall, was
- 50. F. NO CHANGE
 - G. much sturdier than
 - H. more sturdier then
 - J. much sturdier then
- 51. Which of the following placements for the underlined portion makes it most clear that it was Rome that had expanded?
 - A. Where it is now
 - B. After the words surrounded the
 - C. After the word Rome
 - D. After the words of the

[D] The Aurelian Wall featured eighteen large gateways permitting both foot and chariot traffic in and out of the city. In other words, a series of 381 towers and eleven smaller side gates called posterns were evenly spaced along the rest of the wall. Both the posterns and the towers served as defensive

positions for protecting Rome. Walkable passages lined the inner side of the wall.

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The Romans used bricks to build the Aurelian Wall.

However, only small portions of the Servian Wall remains, some of which can be seen inside a chain restaurant

located beneath Rome's central train station. 57 It could, perhaps, be considered ironic that remnants

- 52. F. NO CHANGE
 - G. Therefore, a
 - H. Instead, a
 - J. A
- 53. A. NO CHANGE
 - Both, the posterns and the towers,
 - Both the posterns, and the towers
 - Both the posterns and the towers,
- 54. Which choice provides the most specific information about how posterns and towers served as defensive positions?
 - F. NO CHANGE
 - G. by providing cover for armed guards during an enemy attack.
 - H. in that they were designed to help Rome repel enemy attacks.
 - J. by keeping Rome safe from invaders.
- 55. Given that all the statements are true, which one provides the most effective transition to Paragraph 5?
 - A. NO CHANGE
 - Today, the Aurelian Wall continues to dominate the Roman landscape.
 - Emperor Aurelian did not survive long enough to see the completion of the Aurelian Wall.
 - Before the Servian and Aurelian Walls were built, ancient Rome was most likely protected by mounds of earth.
- 56. F. NO CHANGE
 - G. were remaining,
 - H. has remained,
 - remain,
- 57. At this point, the writer is considering adding the following true statement:

To hasten the construction of the Aurelian Wall, existing architectural features, such as aqueducts, were incorporated into the structure.

Should the statement be added here?

- A. Yes, because it adds information about the Aurelian Wall that supports the main idea of the paragraph.
- Yes, because it demonstrates how innovative and practical the Roman engineers were.
- C. No, because it provides a detail that interrupts the paragraph's discussion of the Servian Wall in the present day.
- D. No, because it provides a level of detail about the wall that is inconsistent with the level of detail in the rest of the essay.



of a wall that once protected the future capital of one of the ancient world's most famous empires are now

preserved and recognized as historically significant by archaeologists.

- 58. F. NO CHANGE
 - G. what was yet to be appointed to the designation of
 H. what would in reality become the

 - a would be but not yet
- 59. Which choice best completes the irony that is set up in the first part of the sentence?
 - A. NO CHANGE
 - as important relics of Rome's earliest boundaries.
 - within a fast-food restaurant. C.
 - D. in such varied locations.

Question 60 asks about the preceding passage as a whole.

60. The writer is considering adding the following statement to the essay:

> The two walls can be thought of as concentric circles emanating from the ancient Roman Forum.

If the writer were to add this statement, it would most logically be placed at:

- Point A in Paragraph 1. Point B in Paragraph 2. Point C in Paragraph 3. F.
- G.
- H.
- J. Point D in Paragraph 4.

PASSAGE V

James Forten, Revolutionary Sailmaker

[1]

"I have been taken prisoner for the liberties of my country, and never will prove a traitor to her interests." [A] Before entering a British-run prison during the American Revolution prisoner of war, James Forten, said these words as a patriotic rejection of his British captor's offer to free him and educate him in England.

62 He knew his

- 61. A. NO CHANGE
 - B. Revolution, prisoner of war James Forten,
 - Revolution, prisoner of war James Forten
 - D. Revolution prisoner of war, James Forten
- 62. Which of the following sentences, if added here, would provide the most logical transition from the preceding paragraph to this paragraph?
 - F. Forten was one of many to serve in the American Revolution.
 - Forten's rejection was risky.
 - Such an offer must have been unusual.
 - Many would later admire Forten's skills as an innovator.
- 63. A. NO CHANGE
 - B. chances to surviving
 - C. chances of surviving
 - D. chance to survive

chance of surviving imprisonment were slim.

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