

Omnibus IV:
The Fall of the Republic - Cicero Reading Guide

Pages 102-127 — Penguin Edition

1. Early in the Exordium, Cicero talks about his 'fate'. What apparently is it?
2. In the second paragraph, Cicero gives a rough divisionem/enumeration. What are the two parts of his argument?
3. What is the nature of Antony's 'favor' to Cicero? (page 104 ff)
4. What breach of common human decency is Cicero accusing Antony of on page 106?
5. What crime is he insinuating Antony is committing on page 106? (see footnote 2)
6. In the second paragraph on page 107, Cicero employs a three part division. What is it about?
7. What was the fate of Curio that will overtake Antony? (this dates the letter, by the way!)
8. Compared to Cicero, what kind of people back Antony? (pp108-109).
9. At page 110 in the second paragraph, what conspiracy do you suppose Cicero is indicating?
10. Cicero compares the nature of Antony with his upbringing in order to explain what? (p 110)

11. Armed men are standing in the senate on Antony's behalf. Where are they from? (footnote 1, page 111).
12. Who is the professional actress known as Antony's 'wife'?
13. What is the 'next impudent accusation' on page 112?
14. What are the two policies that Cicero urged at the top of 113?
15. Another accusation occurs at the the end of 113. What is that?
16. Notice the catalog of names on page 114 - the conspirators in what event?
17. Why was the name of Cicero called out by Brutus? (page 115)
18. What descriptions must Antony choose between to describe the slayers of Caesar?
19. At the bottom of 117, Cicero says he should have finished the play. He is referring to his execution of Cataline. Who is he referring to here?
20. What did Caesar's death rescue Antony from? (page 118).
21. Pompey and Cicero had different concerns in resisting Caesar. What were they? (Page 119).

22. Following the defeat of Pompey at Pharsalus, what did Antony do in Rome? (Page 120)

23. What happen when Antony was a young adolescent? (Page 122)

24. What 'project' or 'fire' did Antony engage in while he was in Clodius' home?

25. What , according to Cicero, did Caesar claim as the reason for his revolutionary acts?
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26. Who has Antony been, according to Cicero in a metaphor on page 126?