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Facts to Know

The Jewish War	A.D. 66-70
The Siege of Jerusalem	A.D. 70 (May-August)
Titus Flavius Josephus	Josephus was born Joseph ben Matthias to a priestly and royal Jewish family. He became a Jewish priest and general. In a battle against Rome in Galilee, he was captured by Vespasian but spared for prophesying that he would become emperor. When the prophecy came true, Josephus was made an interpreter and advisor in Jewish matters. Josephus became a Roman citizen and took the family name of the emperor who freed him, along with the praenomen of his son.
Titus	son of Vespasian; left by his father to complete the siege of Jerusalem; often referred to as Caesar by Josephus
Vespasian	emperor during the siege of Jerusalem; formerly the general leading the battle against the Jewish rebellion until he returned to Rome to claim power
John of Gischala	leader of the Zealots, a militant group which sought to shake off the Roman yoke by force; wanted to rule Jerusalem
Simon bar Giora	leader of a group of revolutionaries; fought the Romans, but was denied a position of power by the Jewish authorities; sought to assume power by force
the seditious	a term used to refer to both John's Zealots and Simon's revolutionaries
Idumeans	people from Edom who came at the request of John to help him keep the temple from Simon and his followers

“I venture to affirm that the sedition destroyed the city, and the Romans destroyed the sedition, which was a much harder thing to do than to destroy the walls; so that we may justly ascribe our misfortunes to our own people, and the just vengeance taken on them to the Romans.” – Josephus

Vocabulary

1. siege engine _____
2. banks _____

Comprehension Questions

1. According to Josephus, who was responsible for the destruction of Jerusalem?

2. What were Nicanor and Josephus doing when Nicanor was injured?

3. Why, at the beginning of the Roman siege, were the Jewish war machines basically useless?

4. How did the Romans keep the Jews from announcing incoming stones?

5. What event finally caused the seditious to start working together?

6. What was the Jews' principal strength in battle?

7. How were the Roman works saved from the Jews' fire?

8. What was Rome's primary method of frightening those that opposed them?
