The Eagle of the Ninth Reading Questions

Classroom Discussion Questions: are answered in the classroom during our discussion. Write your answer on the Learning Target Worksheet.

- 1. What impact does Marcus' past– his father or his training– have on him?
- 2. How does the Roman occupied Britain impact the expectation of conflict?
- 3. How is slavery portrayed? How is this depiction similar or different to the historical reality?
- 4. How do the shield and the dagger represent each of the representative cultures? Explain.
- 5. How is slavery portrayed? What is the tension between slavery and freedom?
- 6. How is the land beyond the wall described? How does it differ from the Roman occupied land?
- 7. What happened to the Ninth according to Guern and Trebuii? How are their accounts similar? How do they differ?
- 8. How is the recovery of the Eagle described? What words or phrases really stood out to you? What impact does this have on the reader?
- 9. Now that Marcus and Esca are on the run, how has the pace of the narrative sped up? What impact does that have?
- 10. What is the primary theme or message of the novel? Explain your reasoning.

Homework Writing Questions: are answered in three-quarters to full page paragraph format with textual evidence and reasoning. This paper should be typed in APA format and submitted to Turnitin.com weekly on Saturday at 11:59 PM.

- 11. How does honor or reputation drive Marcus' decisions in the story?
- 12. Where does Marcus find his motivation?

Writing Quiz Questions: are answered in class during a timed writing quiz and should include textual evidence and reasoning. You will choose one (1) of the following questions. This response will be legibly handwritten on lined paper.

- 13. How is slavery characterized in the text? What is the difference between slavery and freedom?
- 14. How do Marcus and Esca work together? How do they benefit from this teamship?

Socratic Seminar Discussion Questions: will be discussed during our Socratic Seminar. Please write at least one additional question you want to discuss during our seminar.

- 15. How should we treat cultural differences? Explain.
- 16. What role should loyalty play in our friendships?

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