

How far do you agree that Augustus' building programme made Rome a city worthy to be the capital of the Empire?

Use the 25 mark extended response marking criteria.

AO1 – Knowledge and understanding – 12 marks.

Marks should be awarded using the marking criteria for AO1.

- Forum of Augustus
- Mausoleum of Augustus
- *Ara Pacis Augustae*
- *Res Gestae Divi Augusti*
 - Restoration of 82 temples in 28 BCE
 - Building of new temples, including Palatine Apollo, Mars Ultor and the Deified Julius
 - Restoration of aqueducts, roads and bridges
 - Restoration of the Capitol and Theatre of Pompey
 - Building of the Theatre of Marcellus
 - Completion of the Forum of Julius and the Basilica
- He encouraged members of his family to contribute to the building programme, such as Marcus Agrippa and the Pantheon.

AO2 – Analysis and evaluation – 13 marks.

Marks should be awarded using the marking criteria for AO2.

- Augustus undertook an extensive building programme, largely at his own personal expense
- The buildings were made of expensive materials such as marble, which made Rome look impressive
- He improved life for the citizens of Rome by providing them with amenities such as fresh water
- He improved business life in Rome through building the fora
- This also served as personal propaganda, through linking himself and his family to the buildings.

Augustus certainly left Rome a completely different city from the one he took over. Whether it was a city fit to be the capital of Rome is up to the candidates to discuss. It would certainly have impressed visitors from the provinces and outside the Empire.