

Second and Third Punic Wars

1. In what way was Carthage left in a difficult position after the First Punic War?
2. What two things was Hannibal counting on?
3. What difficulties did Hannibal face in getting his army to Italy?
4. Give a brief summary of the battle between Hannibal and the Romans at the Trebbia River.
5. Give a brief summary of the battle between Hannibal and the Romans at Lake Trasimene.
6. Give a brief summary of the battle between Hannibal and the Romans at Cannae.
7. What were the results of the Battle of Cannae?
8. How did the war between Hannibal and the Romans affect the population in Southern Italy?
9. What happened at the Metaurus River?
10. What did the Carthaginians want Hannibal to do when Scipio landed in Africa? Did he manage to do it?
11. Give a brief summary of the Battle of Zama.
12. What conditions did the Romans impose on Hannibal and Carthage at the end of the Second Punic War?



All the maps show Hannibal's progress through Italy, but the last part must have been bitter. Like his father, he had been virtually abandoned by his home country, and now, like his father, he was called back to save it. Scipio, soon to be Africanus, had beaten the home forces and now was waiting for Hannibal.

