

Lecture 20-21

The Julio-Claudians

Basic chronology

14	Death of Augustus; accession of Tiberius
15-16	Revolts in Germany
19	Death of Germanicus
26	Tiberius moves to Capri
31	Consulship and execution of Sejanus
37	Death of Tiberius; accession of Caligula
40	Annexation of Mauretania
41	Death of Caligula; accession of Claudius
43	Invasion of Britain
49	Claudius marries Agrippina
50	Claudius adopts Agrippina's son Domitius Ahenobarbus, who takes up the name Nero
54	Death of Claudius; accession of Nero

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