**Module 5 - Textbook Review Questions**

**Practice exam questions related to textbook chapter “Gold and Silver” by Florin Curta**

1. What were the most popular explanations in the ancient world for the emergence of money?
2. What functions of money does Bernhard Laum's highlight in his examination of the Homeric poems?
3. Why was the earliest silver coin struck in Greece (Athens) called drachma? What does that word mean, and what is the significance of that word?
4. How can one explain the earliest coins known so far, and the fact that they were struck of a gold-and-silver alloy (electrum)?
5. The Romans used a trimetallic, instead of a mono-metallic monetary system. Why?