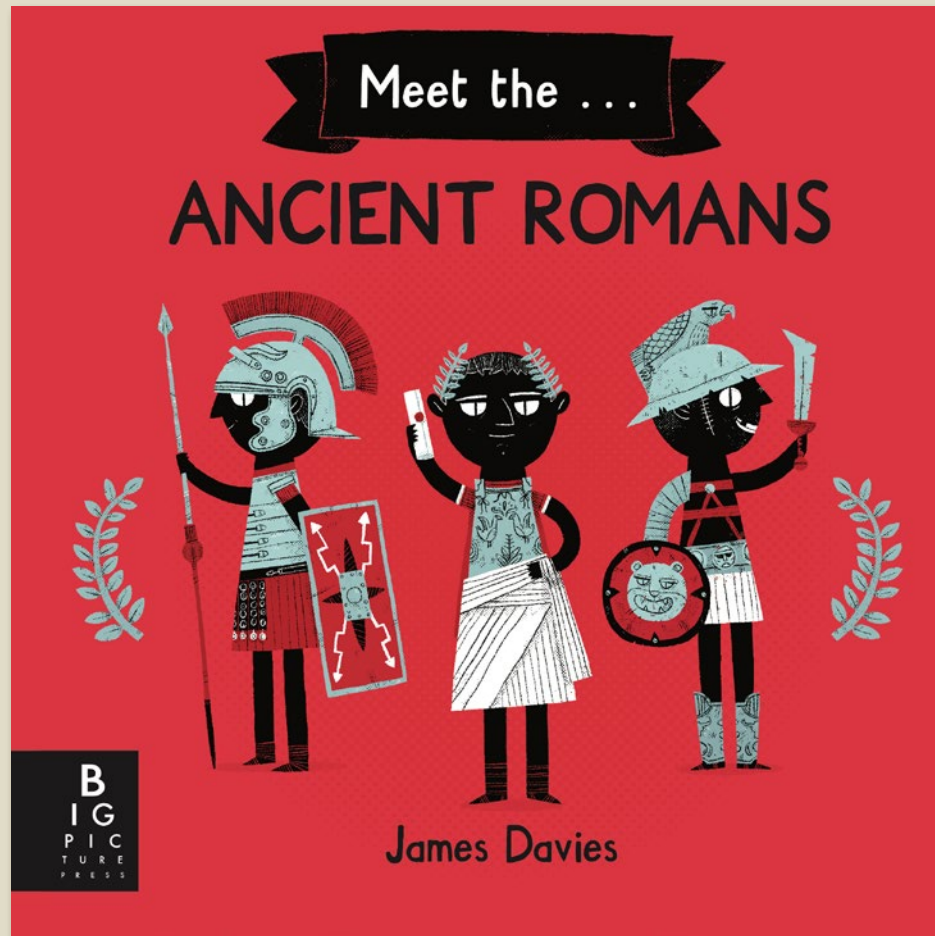


Meet the Ancient Romans



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THE BIRTH OF ROME

The Romans had a myth or story about how their city began. Can you explain why?

- Romulus and Remus were the sons of the god Mars. They were born when their mother was angry with their father in the war. They were abandoned in the river Tiber.
- When they were little, Romulus and Remus were raised by a wolf. They were found by a shepherd and his dog.
- When they were older, Romulus and Remus had a fight. They were angry because they didn't agree on where to build it.
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- The twins looked for a spot from the sky to see which of them had the best plan. But they didn't work either.
- They argued constantly, and one day an eagle landed on Remus' shoulder. Romulus made his plan.

7. Romulus was killed in the fight, so Remus got his way and built the new city, naming it after him. He then made the laws for the new city after himself. Why do you think he did that? ... but look, Rome!

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THE ROMAN EMPIRE

All first Rome was ruled by kings, but it later became a republic, which meant no-one person was in charge. Instead, a group of rich men called senators ran the empire and made all the decisions.

1. I want more money!
2. I want more money!
3. I want more money!
4. I want more money!

The senators were greedy and wanted more power and money. They started fighting each other. They fought for years. But good news for the people of Rome.

Rome's greatest mind was Gaius Julius Caesar. He led the Roman army in North Africa. The battles between them lasted for almost 20 years. In 44 BC, the famous general Pompey led a huge army and 17 elephants to attack. But Rome was too tough and Gaius was defeated and killed.

Rome went on to defeat other powerful states, growing bigger, richer and stronger. But as they won more battles, the senators started to fight amongst themselves. ... it would be their downfall in the end.

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EMPERORS RULE

The only way to bring peace back to Rome was to end the republic and put one person back in charge. This person was called an emperor. He ruled over everything, controlling the government, armies and religion. Emperors ruled Rome for the next 500 years.

With no internet or TV to show the public what the emperor looked like, soldiers and some were produced with his image instead. Hopefully they were flattering as they couldn't be changed later!

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EMPEROR HALL OF FAME

Some emperors were loved by the public, but others were considered monsters, or just a bit weird. The good, the bad, and the mad - here are some of Rome's most famous emperors:

You may be wondering why Julius Caesar isn't here amongst these other famous emperors. Well, that's because although Caesar was a powerful man, he was never actually an emperor. We'll find out more about him on pages 16 and 17.

AUGUSTUS
AD 27 BC - AD 14
Augustus was the first emperor of Rome. He wasn't very lovable, but he rebuilt Rome after all the fighting, established an army and brought peace back to the land. What a guy!

CALIGULA
AD 37 - 41
Caligula was a violent leader who went mad with wealth and power. He once tried to put his horse in charge of the government! He was killed by his own bodyguards who decided to put a stop to him.

CLAUDIUS
AD 41 - 54
Claudius was disabled and had trouble walking and speaking. At first he wasn't taken very seriously, but he turned out to be a great leader, expanding the empire and conquering Britain.

HADRIAN
AD 76 - 138
Hadrian was a clever general. He made the empire easier to defend and built a giant wall between England and Scotland to try and keep the people of the north out. Parts of the wall still stand today!

NERO
AD 54 - 68
Nero wanted to be a celebrity, but when he appeared on stage many people thought it was a bit silly. He didn't seem to care when a huge fire destroyed the city in AD 64, and the people turned on him.

TRAJAN
AD 98 - 117
Trajan was Spanish, and one of the most successful emperors. Rome was at its largest and most wealthy when he reigned. He was declared the best ruler by the Roman council. Cool!

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