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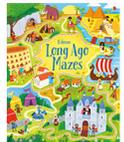
Ancient Rome

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Gladiator games

Armed men called gladiators were made to fight against each other for public entertainment in Ancient Rome. This show will be starting soon, so guide Gaius to his seat next to Titus without disturbing any of the other spectators. He can only move between rows by using the staircases.



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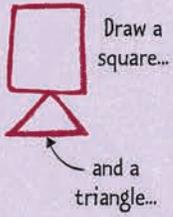
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How to draw a Roman

Your turn...

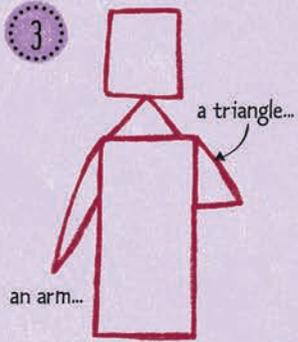
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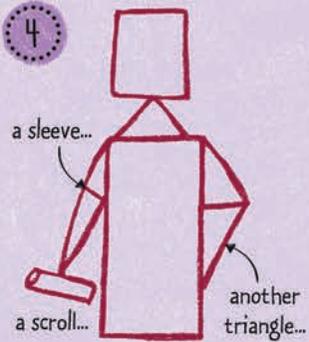
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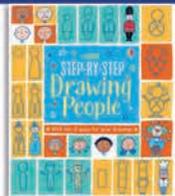
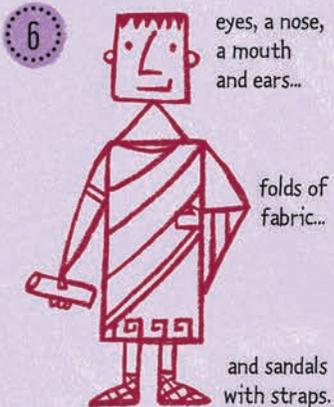
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ROMANO MORE VIVE*

* This means 'live like a Roman' in Latin - the language most ancient Romans spoke.

Latine loquere*

Try learning some Latin, then you'll be able to read the story at the bottom of this page.

salve (sal-vay)	hello	puella	girl
vale (val-ay)	goodbye	puer	boy
gratias ago	thank you	mater	mother
non scio	I don't know	pater	father
ut vales?	how are you?	frater	brother
bene vales	I'm well	soror	sister
optime	very well	ubi est...?	where is...?
pessime	terrible	in foro	at the market
quod nomen tibi est?	what's your name?	in schola	at school
mihi nomen est...	my name is...	te amo	I love you

*Speak Latin

Nunc hanc fabulam lege*



*Now read this story

Usque ad decem numera*

The Romans wrote letters for numbers. You'll find the Latin words for one to ten below too.

1	I	unus
2	II	duo
3	III	tres
4	IV	quatuor
5	V	quinque
6	VI	sex
7	VII	septem
8	VIII	octo
9	IX	novem
10	X	decem

*Count to ten

Alea lude*

This game for two players is based on Rock, Paper, Scissors.

Players count to three before saying the name of a type of gladiator and making a shape with their right hand for the weapon that gladiator used.

pugil (boxing glove)



retarius (net)



secutor (sword)



Pugil beats secutor.
Retarius beats pugil.
Secutor beats retarius.

*Play a game

Togam gere*

Use a bed sheet for a toga.



1. Wear a belt over a T-shirt. Drape the toga over your left shoulder.



2. Wrap the right side across your body...



3. ...and over your shoulder.



4. Then, tuck the end into your belt.

*Wear a toga

Inventores magni*

Did you know the Romans invented...?

concrete

arches

underfloor heating

flushing toilets

tower blocks

surgical tools

*Great inventors



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