

THE ROMAN REPUBLIC AND THE ROMAN EMPIRE

STUDY GUIDE

ESSENTIAL QUESTIONS:

1. What makes societies rise and fall?
2. Is violence acceptable in politics?
3. How should a society be governed?
4. Who should benefit from the wealth of a society? How should it be distributed?
5. What role do belief systems play in society?
6. What is the impact of Ancient Rome?
7. What were the critical contributions of the Byzantine Empire to the world and Western Civilization?

TERMS:

Julius Caesar	Constantine	Huns	Constantinople
Inflation	Emperor	Mark Antony	Colosseum
Punic Wars	Pax Romana	Inflation	Arches
Patricians	Augustus	Barbarian	Gladiators
Plebeians	Marcus Aurelius	Aqueduct	Legion
Byzantine Empire	Attila the Hun	Hannibal	Diocletian
Germanic Peoples	Visigoths	Justinian	Justinian Code

CONCEPTS:

- 1) How do the governments of the Roman Republic and the Roman Empire affect us today?
- 2) Why do strong governments, like the Roman Republic and Roman Empire, eventually lose power?
- 3) How is the Roman Empire similar to the United States? How is it different?
- 4) How can absolute power be positive? How can it be negative?

