

Tapestry Year 1 – Unit 4
Rhetoric History
Co-op 13/Weeks 28, 29/March 14th, 2024

TIMELINE EVENTS: *In red ink:* (all dates are BC) 800-Etruscans come into Italian Peninsula; 753-Romulus founds Rome; 510-End of Etruscan Kings; 509-Beginning of Roman Republic; 450-Publication of the 12 Tablets (Roman Law); 390-Gauls Sack Rome

MAPS: Color Italy Base Map (check forum for printable PDF)

QUESTIONS TO ANSWER:

- 1) When, and from where, do scholars think that the Etruscans came to the Italic peninsula?
- 2) From your assigned readings, list 4 ways that the Etruscans influenced Roman culture.
- 3) Romans claimed to have thrown off the last Etruscan king in 510 B.C. and then formed their republic (which we'll study in more detail next week). What was happening in Greece and Israel during that time? Use your timeline to answer.
- 4) What were the unique elements of the governmental structure of the Roman Republic? Which of these added to the stability of this long-standing government?
- 5) Who were the plebs? Summarize the basic steps by which they gained political and social rights during the years of the early Roman Republic.