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The Day Commodus Killed a Rhino - Jerry Toner
2015-01-05
Drawing on notions of personal honor, manly

vigor, and sophisticated craftsmanship, the games were a story that the Romans loved to tell themselves about themselves.

Miranda the Great - Eleanor Estes 2005

When barbarians invade ancient Rome and Miranda the cat is separated from her owners, she and her daughter lead a group of kittens to safety in the Coliseum. Illustrations.

The Mystery at the Roman Colosseum (Rome, Italy) - Carole Marsh 2009-01-01

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Carnivale holiday festivities! (Who is really behind that mask?) Don't miss the adventure and action as the kids solve The Mystery at the Roman Colosseum. This mystery incorporates history, geography, culture and cliffhanger chapters that keep kids begging for more! This mystery includes SAT words, educational facts, fun and humor, Built-In Book Club and activities. This book includes a map, inline glossary definitions, and lots more! This Carole Marsh Mystery also has an Accelerated Reader quiz, a Lexile Level, a Fountas & Pinnell guided reading level and a Developmental Reading Assessment. LOOK what's in this mystery - people, places, history, and more! Places: Sistine Chapel - The Colosseum - The Leaning Tower of Pisa - St. Peter's Square - Piazza della Minerva - The Pantheon - Trevi Fountain - Piazza Navona - Piazza D. Mercato Centrale - Piazza San Marco - Pisa International Airport and Leonardo da Vinci Airport - Milan - Sicily - Sardinia - Salerno - Pompeii - Harry's Bar - Many sights in Rome,

including the Arch of Constantine, the Mamertine Prison, and Capitoline Hill - Many sights in Florence, including the Cloister of the Dead, the Uffizi, and the Statue of David - Many sights in Venice, including the Ca' d'Oro, the Grand Canal, and the Basilica di Santa Maria della Salute æ Educational Items: Italian geography - Typical Italian food including gelato, Italian Wedding Soup, gnocchi - History of the Leaning Tower of Pisa - Facts about Vatican City - Facts about Rome - Information on many Italian artists, including Michelangelo and Botticelli, their works, and their mediums - History of the Colosseum - History of the Trevi Fountain - The Renaissance - Astrolabes and sundials - Transportation in Venice (gondolas, gondoliers, the Grand Canal, vaporettos) - Carnivale - including its history, traditions, costumes - Mardi Gras - Obelisks and hieroglyphics - Screen Actors Guild - Eurostar, Italy's fastest train - History of the tarantella dance - Rome water - The Roman forum and Julius Caesar - The Black

Plague - Lighting candles in prayer - Italy's volcanoes - The Italian Alps - History of Pompeii and Mt. Vesuvius, the ruins and excavation - Academy of Fine Arts - Roman gods and goddesses- Winter solstice æ People: Michelangelo and Botticelli, their works, and their mediums - Galileo - Roman gods and goddesses - La Befana, Italian version of Santa Claus - Romulus and Remus - Peggy Guggenheim - Gladiators - Julius Caesar - Napoleon's conquering of Italy - Tale of Pinocchio

Below is the Reading Levels Guide for this book: Grade Levels: 3-6 Accelerated Reader Reading Level: 5.6 Accelerated Reader Points: 3 Accelerated Reader Quiz Number: 105629 Lexile Measure: 860 Fountas & Pinnell Guided Reading Level: Q Developmental Assessment Level: 40

SPQR: A History of Ancient Rome - Mary Beard 2015-11-09

New York Times Bestseller A New York Times Notable Book Named one of the Best Books of the Year by the Wall Street Journal, the

Economist, Foreign Affairs, and Kirkus Reviews Finalist for the National Book Critics Circle Award (Nonfiction) Shortlisted for the Cundill Prize in Historical Literature Finalist for the Los Angeles Times Book Prize (History) A San Francisco Chronicle Holiday Gift Guide Selection A New York Times Book Review Editors' Choice Selection A sweeping, "magisterial" history of the Roman Empire from one of our foremost classicists shows why Rome remains "relevant to people many centuries later" (Atlantic). In SPQR, an instant classic, Mary Beard narrates the history of Rome "with passion and without technical jargon" and demonstrates how "a slightly shabby Iron Age village" rose to become the "undisputed hegemon of the Mediterranean" (Wall Street Journal). Hailed by critics as animating "the grand sweep and the intimate details that bring the distant past vividly to life" (Economist) in a way that makes "your hair stand on end" (Christian Science Monitor) and spanning nearly a thousand years of history, this

"highly informative, highly readable" (Dallas Morning News) work examines not just how we think of ancient Rome but challenges the comfortable historical perspectives that have existed for centuries. With its nuanced attention to class, democratic struggles, and the lives of entire groups of people omitted from the historical narrative for centuries, SPQR will to shape our view of Roman history for decades to come.

The Mystery at the Roman Colosseum - Carole Marsh 2014

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holiday festivities as they solve the crime.

Ancient Rome: The Rise and Fall of an Empire - SIMON JOHNS 2010-09-30

This is the story of the greatest empire the world has ever known. Simon Baker charts the rise and fall of the world's first superpower, focusing on six momentous turning points that shaped Roman history. Welcome to Rome as you've never seen it before - awesome and splendid, gritty and squalid. From the conquest of the Mediterranean beginning in the third century BC to the destruction of the Roman Empire at the hands of barbarian invaders some seven centuries later, we discover the most critical episodes in Roman history: the spectacular collapse of the 'free' republic, the birth of the age of the 'Caesars', the violent suppression of the strongest rebellion against Roman power, and the bloody civil war that launched Christianity as a world religion. At the heart of this account are the dynamic, complex but flawed characters of some of the most powerful

rulers in history: men such as Pompey the Great, Julius Caesar, Augustus, Nero and Constantine. Putting flesh on the bones of these distant, legendary figures, Simon Baker looks beyond the dusty, toga-clad caricatures and explores their real motivations and ambitions, intrigues and rivalries. The superb narrative, full of energy and imagination, is a brilliant distillation of the latest scholarship and a wonderfully evocative account of Ancient Rome.

Where Is the Colosseum? - Jim O'Connor
2017-01-24

A marvel of engineering that proclaimed the might of the Emperor of Ancient Rome. The Emperor Titus opened the enormous Colosseum in AD 80 to host 100 days of games, and it will astound readers to learn what the ancient Romans found entertaining. Over 50,000 screaming fans watched gladiators battling each other to the death, men fighting exotic wild beasts, and even mock sea battles with warships floating on an arena floor flooded with water. By

AD 476 the Roman Empire had fallen, and yet the ruins of the Colosseum remain a world-famous landmark of an unforgettable time.
The Martyrs of the Coliseum - Augustine J. O'Reilly 1874

Ruins of Rome I - Laine Cunningham
2017-04-19

From Aventine Hill to St. Peter's Basilica, from the banks of the Tiber to the Aniene, Rome is a kaleidoscopic journey through time. The color photos in Ruins of Rome I were taken at various popular sites like these. Revitalize the Eternal City with an artist's perspective.

From the Ashes - Melissa Addey 2021-02-05
Rome, 80AD. A gigantic new amphitheatre is being built. The Emperor has plans for gladiatorial Games on a scale no-one has ever seen before. But the Games don't just happen. They must be made. And Marcus, the man in charge of creating them, has just lost everything he held dear when Pompeii disappeared under

the searing wrath of Vesuvius. Now it will fall to Althea, the slave woman who serves as his scribe, to ensure the Colosseum is inaugurated on time - and that Marcus makes his way out of the darkness that calls to him. First in the Colosseum series. Praise for Melissa Addey's previous novels: Reading this novel was a moving and wonderful excursion into a different time. Editor's Choice. Historical Novel Society Ms Addey excels at making ancient worlds come alive: her world-building is superb. Discovering Diamonds The Colosseum series They called it the Flavian Amphitheatre. We call it the Colosseum. It opened with one hundred days of Games: brutal gladiatorial combats, exotic wild animal hunts, naval battles and the re-enactment of extraordinary and dangerous mythological adventures. But no history book, anywhere, mentions the people who made it happen: the backstage team. The Colosseum series follows the lives of the backstage team as they serve an unpredictable Emperor, put on shows to please

the masses and live out their lives in the shadowy underworld of the greatest amphitheatre ever built.

The Lure of the Arena - Garrett G Fagan
2011-02-17

Were the Romans who watched brutal gladiatorial games all that different from us? This book argues they were not.

Gladiators and the Story of the Colosseum -
Nicholas Saunders 2006-10

Presents, in graphic format, the story of the Colosseum of Rome, from its construction to its use for lavish and bloody entertainments to its dismantlement, as well as describing the recruitment, training, daily lives, and deaths of the gladiators who fought in the Colosseum.

The Tragedy of Empire - Michael Kulikowski
2020-01-07

Michael Kulikowski traces two hundred years of Roman history during which the Empire became ungovernable and succumbed to turbulence and change. A sweeping political narrative, The

Tragedy of Empire tells the story of the Western Roman Empire's downfall, even as the Eastern Empire remained politically strong and culturally vibrant.

The Phantom of the Colosseum, Volume 1 -
Sophie De Mullenheim 2020-09-22

The Phantom of the Colosseum is the first volume of the gripping new series for 10 yr. olds and up titled In the Shadows of Rome (5 books total). Being a Christian in ancient Rome was very dangerous. To spread the faith and stay alive, you had to live in the shadows . . . Now that Blandula's master has been arrested for being a Christian, what will she do? Little does she know that she is about to meet three boys who will help her to find the answer: Maximus, the son of a senator; his slave Aghiles; and Titus, who never goes anywhere without his pet monkey. Follow their adventures as Blandula and her new companions forge priceless friendships--and discover the many secrets lurking in the shadows of the Colosseum.

The Roman Gladiators and the Colosseum -
Charles River Editors 2013-11

*Includes pictures. *Includes ancient accounts of gladiatorial games and other spectacles.

*Explains how the Colosseum was designed and built, as well as how seating was arranged.

*Describes the different classes of Roman gladiators and the armor and weaponry they used. *Includes footnotes and a bibliography for further reading. "He vows to endure to be burned, to be bound, to be beaten, and to be killed by the sword." - The gladiator's oath, according to Petronius in the Satyricon. When the Colosseum was built in the late 1st century A.D., the Romans, a people known for their architectural acumen, managed to amaze themselves. Martial, a Roman poet writing during the inauguration of the Colosseum, clearly believed the Colosseum was so grand a monument that it was even greater than the other Wonders of the Ancient World, which had been written about and visited endlessly by the

Romans and Greeks in antiquity. Indeed, although the Wonders were wondrous to behold, the Colosseum was a spectacular achievement in architecture, something new and innovative, and therefore an amazing “Wonder” in its own way. The Colosseum was designed to be both a symbol and show of strength by the famous Flavian emperors, most notably Vespasian and his sons Titus and Domitian. Vespasian had started the construction of the Colosseum shortly after becoming emperor in 69 A.D., but he died before he could present any spectacles in his giant amphitheatre. That honor went to his son Titus, who celebrated the inaugural opening in 80 A.D. with 100 days of games, despite the fact that the Colosseum was not completely finished. When his brother Domitian came to power in 81 A.D., he finished the amphitheatre, but not without making some changes to the overall design. By the time it was truly finished, the Colosseum stood about 150 feet tall, with the oval in the center stretching nearly two football

fields long and over 500 feet across. The Colosseum is a large stadium even by today's standards, and its great size conveys the power of the empire as it dominates the landscape and towers over nearby buildings. Of course, the main events in the Colosseum were gladiator fights. Gladiators are somewhat synonymous with ancient Rome, and even thousands of years after they performed on the sands, when people are asked about Roman culture, many think about and refer to the bloody spectacles of men fighting to the death in the arena. Gladiatorial combat is often regarded as barbaric, and most find it very difficult to comprehend how people could have enjoyed watching something so violent, but nevertheless, the spectacle still intrigues and fascinates people today, whether in movies like *Gladiator* or television shows about *Spartacus*. Each match usually pitted one type of gladiator against a different type of gladiator, with each having their own kind of armor, weaponry and fighting style. For

example, the retiarius was a gladiator that used a net, dagger and trident as his offensive weapons, while only wearing a protective guard over his left arm for protection. The retiarius would typically fight against the secutor, a gladiator armed with a sword, large shield, helmet and protective covering on his right arm and left leg. Therefore, a retiarius sacrificed armor for quickness in battle, while the secutor did the opposite. Although people often think of gladiators fighting to the death, the outcome of gladiatorial combats was not always fatal for one of the participants. If a gladiator fought well, the sponsor of the show could spare him, particularly if the crowd desired it. The fact that the outcome of matches was never the same and the crowd could help determine the result of the match certainly added to the Roman public's pleasure, making it a lot less surprising that such an abhorrent spectacle still fascinated the modern world.

The Circus Maximus - Charles River Charles

River Editors 2017-08-06

*Includes pictures *Includes ancient accounts of the Circus Maximus *Includes online resources and a bibliography for further reading "Rome was a poem pressed into service as a city." In that short line, Anatole Broyard, a 20th century American writer, compactly captures the timeless and enchanting beauty that resides within the Eternal City of Rome. This tourist destination is often one of the highest ranked on bucket lists, for how could one not want to experience its marvelous ruins, mirror-like rivers, and spectacular stretches of aqueducts firsthand? As one sips on fine Italian wine on a terrace overlooking the grand remnants of the Colosseum, one can practically hear the roars of the battling gladiators and the raucous applause of the spectators. And as one strolls through the coarse, yet quaint cobblestone streets, one can almost hear the galloping horses and screeching wheels of chariots in the distance, and even feel the brush of the breeze as they charge past. It is

difficult not to fall in love with a city so effortlessly nostalgic it verges on utopian. The ambitious and fearless emperors that built the legendary Roman Empire from scratch, the broad-shouldered and bronzed gladiators with their iconic plume helmets and glinting swords, and elaborate parties attended by toga-wearing Romans fueled by alcohol, violence, orgies, and other godless acts all paint a picture of Roman life. Indeed, many people are well-versed with these unique scenes of Roman history, and Ben-Hur helped popularize people's views of what went on at Rome's largest stadium. While the characters of Judah Ben-Hur and Messala were fictitious figures drawn from the imagination of novelist Lew Wallace, the setting of the rivals' classic confrontation, the fabled Circus Maximus, is very much real. At the Circus Maximus, the guttural cheers of the spectators reverberated across the enormous open space, but their cries could hardly be heard over the rumble of the ground. On the ellipse-shaped

track, 5 charioteers would skew their bodies and steer their magnificent vehicles around the curves. Gusts of sand and dirt flew up from the whizzing wheels and encircled the pounding hooves of the stunning stallions. Distracted personnel and guards dragging their feet were considered fair game. As one chariot careened to the side, preparing to collide with another chariot, a row of guards might have to try to duck out of the way in the nick of time. Some would be trampled by hooves. Chariot races were dangerous for participants too. A charioteer could become disoriented and fail to position himself as his horses moved instinctively, sending his body catapulting forward out of the chariot. Needless to say, chariot racing in Rome was a nail-biting spectacle. The Circus Maximus: The History and Legacy of the Largest Stadium in Ancient Rome explores the development, as well as the origins and legends surrounding the stadium. It also dissects the historic sport and the Circus stars,

as well as the most momentous events ever to have transpired in this fantastic place. Along with pictures depicting important people, places, and events, you will learn about the Circus Maximus like never before.

Rumble with the Romans - Gary Northfield
2018-01-23

From a smelly water hole on the African savanna, Julius Zebra is captured, along with Milus the scarred lion and Cornelius the clueless warthog. Transported to the ferocious clamor of the Colosseum, Julius Zebra and his motley menagerie of friends mu

[The Gladiators](#) - Fik Meijer 2007-03-06

An analysis of the private and public lives of ancient Rome's gladiators explores how they were both despised for their lowly status and hero-worshipped for their skills and courage, chronicling how tens of thousands of gladiators perished publicly over the course of six hundred years. Reprint. 10,000 first printing.

The Colosseum - Keith Hopkins 2011-05-31

Byron and Hitler were equally entranced by Rome's most famous monument, the Colosseum. Mid-Victorians admired the hundreds of varieties of flowers in its crannies and occasionally shuddered at its reputation for contagion, danger, and sexual temptation. Today it is the highlight of a tour of Italy for more than three million visitors a year, a concert arena for the likes of Paul McCartney, and a national symbol of opposition to the death penalty. Its ancient history is chock full of romantic but erroneous myths. There is no evidence that any gladiator ever said "Hail Caesar, those about to die..." and we know of not one single Christian martyr who met his finish here. Yet the reality is much stranger than the legend as the authors, two prominent classical historians, explain in this absorbing account. We learn the details of how the arena was built and at what cost; we are introduced to the emperors who sometimes fought in gladiatorial games staged at the Colosseum; and we take measure of the

audience who reveled in, or opposed, these games. The authors also trace the strange afterlife of the monumentÑas fortress, shrine of martyrs, church, and glue factory. Why are we so fascinated with this arena of death?

The Roman Colosseum - Fiona Macdonald
2010

Provides an illustrated survey of the construction and history of the Colosseum, the enormous oval amphitheater that has stood in Rome for 2,000 years. Reprint.

A Monument to Dynasty and Death - Nathan T. Elkins 2019-09-03

This engaging book is an excellent resource for classes on Roman art, architecture, history, civilization, and sport and spectacle.

The Colosseum - Filippo Coarelli 2001

This text explores the Colosseum's construction, architecture, uses and administration. Over 200 images, ranging from coins to paintings, sketches and contemporary photographs illustrate how the building has been seen

throughout the ages.

Beneath the Sand - Katherine L. Bichler
2021-11-16

Growing up in the caverns underneath the colosseum is anything but ordinary for a Roman teenager like Noemi. Helping her father train wild beasts for the emperor's extravagant shows and being feted with romantic gifts from her noble fiancé, hers is a life few girls could imagine. But despite her good fortune, Noemi is beginning to doubt her upcoming wedding, which could threaten what she desires most-to train as a gladiator. While Noemi loves the lions beneath the colosseum and the bloody shows above, her sister, Livia, is a contrast in extremes. If Livia can't be an enviable Vestal Virgin in a garden temple, she'll do the next best thing and use her charms to climb the social ladder, as high as the emperor's palace on Palatine Hill. While Livia will stop at nothing to improve her social life, Noemi can't stop her secret desires, nor her stealth training with

swords. And then there's Cato, a top-ranked gladiator who is keeping a risky secret of his own. Against Noemi's better judgement, she finds herself drawn to this mysterious fighter, who has both a temper and an imperious reputation. Soon, Noemi, Livia and Cato find that keeping secrets is not just child's play, but dangerous games with deadly consequences. Can they all fool the emperor long enough to avoid a date with the executioner?

[The Roman Amphitheatre](#) - Katherine E. Welch
2007-09-10

This is the first book to analyze the evolution of the Roman amphitheatre as an architectural form. Katherine Welch addresses the critical period in the history of this building type: its origins and dissemination under the Republic, from the third to first centuries BC; its monumentalization as an architectural form under Augustus; and its canonization as a building type with the Colosseum (AD 80). The study then shifts focus to the reception of the

amphitheatre in the Greek East, a part of the Empire deeply fractured about the new realities of Roman rule.

A Day in the Life of Ancient Rome - Alberto Angela 2009

This voyage of exploration chronicles twenty-four hours in the life of a Roman patrician, beginning at dawn on an ordinary day in the year 115 A.D., with Imperial Rome at the height of its power.

[Gladiators](#) - Toby Forward 2009-09-01

This novelty book will provide any budding young historian with the perfect introduction to the Roman games. It contains a pop-up model of the Colosseum, a map of Ancient Rome, an annotated plan of the Colosseum, and gladiator trading cards.

Colosseum - Peter Connolly 2003

The Colosseum in Rome is one of the world's most amazing buildings. Built over 10 years during the reign of the Emperor Vespasiano in c. 72AD, at 160 feet high this immense oval

stadium was home to the most violent and deadly spectator sports in history, and the making of many 'gladiator' heroes. Using state-of-the-art computer graphics, Colosseum brings the world of Ancient Rome to life and shows how and why this most extraordinary of human monuments was built. New research debunks the myths perpetuated in the film *Gladiator* and helps us understand the nature of these games - why the chariot races of *Gladiator* could not have happened within the Colosseum walls, for instance. Here for the first time, new evidence reveals exactly how the Colosseum was regularly flooded with water for the spectacle of deadly sea battles.

[The History of Rome in 12 Buildings](#) - Phillip Barlag 2018-03-19

Any travel guide to Rome will urge visitors to go the Colosseum, but none answers a simple question: Why is it called the Colosseum? *The History of Rome in 12 Buildings: A Travel Companion to the Hidden Secrets of The Eternal*

City is compelling, concise, and fun, and takes you behind the iconic buildings to reveal the hidden stories of the people that forged the Roman Empire. Typical travel guides provide torrents of information but deny their readers depth and perspective. In this gap is the really good stuff--the stories that make the buildings come alive and vividly enhance any trip to Rome. *The History of Rome in 12 Buildings* will immerse you in the world of the Romans, one full of drama, intrigue, and scandal. With its help, you will be able to trace the rise and fall of the ancient world's greatest superpower: Find the last resting spot of Julius Caesar. Join Augustus as he offers sacrifices to the gods. Discover the lie on the facade of the Pantheon. Walk in the footsteps of Jesus. And so much more.

Rome - Matthew Kneale 2019-05-28

"This magnificent love letter to Rome" (Stephen Greenblatt) tells the story of the Eternal City through pivotal moments that defined its history—from the early Roman Republic through

the Renaissance and the Reformation to the German occupation in World War Two—“an erudite history that reads like a page-turner” (Maria Semple). Rome, the Eternal City. It is a hugely popular tourist destination with a rich history, famed for such sites as the Colosseum, the Forum, the Pantheon, St. Peter’s, and the Vatican. In no other city is history as present as it is in Rome. Today visitors can stand on bridges that Julius Caesar and Cicero crossed; walk around temples in the footsteps of emperors; visit churches from the earliest days of Christianity. This is all the more remarkable considering what the city has endured over the centuries. It has been ravaged by fires, floods, earthquakes, and—most of all—by roving armies. These have invaded repeatedly, from ancient times to as recently as 1943. Many times Romans have shrugged off catastrophe and remade their city anew. “Matthew Kneale [is] one step ahead of most other Roman chroniclers” (The New York Times Book Review).

He paints portraits of the city before seven pivotal assaults, describing what it looked like, felt like, smelled like and how Romans, both rich and poor, lived their everyday lives. He shows how the attacks transformed Rome—sometimes for the better. With drama and humor he brings to life the city of Augustus, of Michelangelo and Bernini, of Garibaldi and Mussolini, and of popes both saintly and very worldly. Rome is “exciting...gripping...a slow roller-coaster ride through the fortunes of a place deeply entangled in its past” (The Wall Street Journal).

The Roman Colosseum - Elizabeth Mann 2006
Describes the building of the Colosseum in ancient Rome, the training of its gladiators, and the different types of combat they fought in its arena.

The Story of the Romans - Helene Adeline Guerber 2018-10-07

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animals and even sea battles.

Fire in the East - Harry Sidebottom 2009-09-29
A.D. 255: The Roman Imperium is stretched to the breaking point, its authority and might challenged throughout the territories and along every border. One man is sent to marshal the defenses of a lonely city and to shore up the crumbling walls of a once indomitable symbol of Roman power, a man whose very name means war, a man called Ballista. So unfolds an epic drama—a story of empire, heroes, treachery, courage, and most of all, of brutal, bloody warfare.

The Story of the Roman Amphitheatre - David Bomgardner 2013-07-04

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Arena: the Story of the Colosseum - John Pearson 1973

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