

Rome: A Visual Study Guide

Directions: Draw a picture that corresponds to the vocabulary word in the box.

Republic – government system where supreme power is in citizens able to vote.	Senate - assembly possessing high law-making (legislative) powers
Pax Romana - The Roman Peace	Julius Caesar – A military commander who became dictator for life before being assassinated
Consul - one of two officials who led the government in the ancient Roman republic	Constantine - Emperor of Rome who adopted the Christian faith and stopped the persecution of Christians (280-337)
Octavian - first emperor of the Roman empire, changed his name to Augustus	Diocletian - Roman emperor who was faced with military problems, who decided to divide the Roman empire into an east and west section

Patricians - Powerful landowners who controlled Roman government and society	Plebeians - farmers, artisans, and merchants who made up a majority of the population
Punic Wars - The three wars between Carthage and Rome. Rome was victorious	Latifundia – Large Roman slave plantations
Empire - an extensive group of states or countries under a single supreme authority, esp. an emperor or empress.	Triumvirate – Rule by 3 people
Cleopatra – Egyptian Pharaoh who was romantically involved with Julius Caesar and Marc Antony	Fall of Rome – The Roman Empire collapsed as a result of barbarian invasions, poor public health, inflation, political corruption, and other causes