

Chapter 7, Section 1  
“The Roman Republic”

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1. A Roman legend told that their state was founded by twin brothers named \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_. They were the children of a princess and \_\_\_\_\_, Roman god of war. A jealous king ordered that they be drowned, but a mother \_\_\_\_\_ rescued the infants. When the boys had grown, they ( joined / killed ) the king and founded the city of Rome where ( five / seven ) hills rise above the banks of the \_\_\_\_\_ River.

Rome’s Geography

2. The first people who settled Rome chose that site because it was a ( good / poor ) place to live. The hills made it ( difficult / easy ) to defend. The soil ( was / was not ) fertile and the \_\_\_\_\_ River provided plenty of water. THINK!! It ( would / would not ) prove to be centrally located.

3. About 600 B.C., a group of people called the \_\_\_\_\_ took power in Rome. Their kings ruled Rome until the year \_\_\_\_\_ when the Romans revolted and drove the Etruscans from power. THINK!! The Romans ( did / did not ) borrow ideas from Etruscan culture.

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Romans form a Republic

4. The Romans created a new form of government called a \_\_\_\_\_, in which citizens who have the right to vote select their leaders. The Roman Republic was led by two chief officials, called \_\_\_\_\_. The most powerful part of government was a group called the \_\_\_\_\_. What duties were given to the members of the Senate?

5. At first, the senate was made up only of citizens called \_\_\_\_\_, members of a wealthy, upper-class family in the Roman Republic. Ordinary citizens were known as \_\_\_\_\_. In 367 B.C., a new law said that ( plebeians and patricians / only patricians ) could be consuls or senators.

6. Power of the consuls was ( limited / unlimited ). They ruled for only ( one year / four years ). Either had the right of \_\_\_\_\_, or power to reject any planned action. THINK!! The president of the United States ( does / does not ) have veto power.