



## GUIDED READING ACTIVITY 1-1

### Life in Ancient Rome

**Directions: Outlining** Reading the section and completing the outline below will help you learn more about life in ancient Rome. Refer to your textbook to fill in the blanks.

- I. Rome's first emperor, \_\_\_\_\_, ruled from 27 B.C. to A.D. 14.
  - A. His reign began a long era of peace, called the \_\_\_\_\_.
  - B. He improved Rome's military and government and its tax and \_\_\_\_\_ systems.
- II. The next four emperors are called the \_\_\_\_\_ emperors.
  - A. Tiberius and \_\_\_\_\_ ruled well.
  - B. \_\_\_\_\_ and Nero were cruel leaders.
- III. After Nero, \_\_\_\_\_ restored peace and order and began construction of the \_\_\_\_\_, a huge amphitheater.
- IV. The five emperors who ruled from A.D. 96 to A.D. 180 are known as the \_\_\_\_\_ emperors.
  - A. Under \_\_\_\_\_, the empire reached its largest size, including \_\_\_\_\_ and part of eastern \_\_\_\_\_.
  - B. The next emperor, \_\_\_\_\_, decided that the empire had grown too big to rule effectively, and he began to pull back.
- V. The Romans borrowed many ideas from the \_\_\_\_\_ but added their own ideas and developments.
  - A. Roman statues were more \_\_\_\_\_ than Greek statues.
  - B. Roman builders used rows of columns called \_\_\_\_\_ but designed their own features such as \_\_\_\_\_, domes, and vaults.
  - C. The Romans were the first to use \_\_\_\_\_, which made buildings sturdier.
  - D. Using Greek models, the poet \_\_\_\_\_ wrote satires and odes.
  - E. Roman engineers built \_\_\_\_\_ and bridges to connect the empire and \_\_\_\_\_ to bring water from the hills into cities.
  - F. The Romans also borrowed the Greek philosophy of \_\_\_\_\_ but modified it to make it more practical.