

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.