

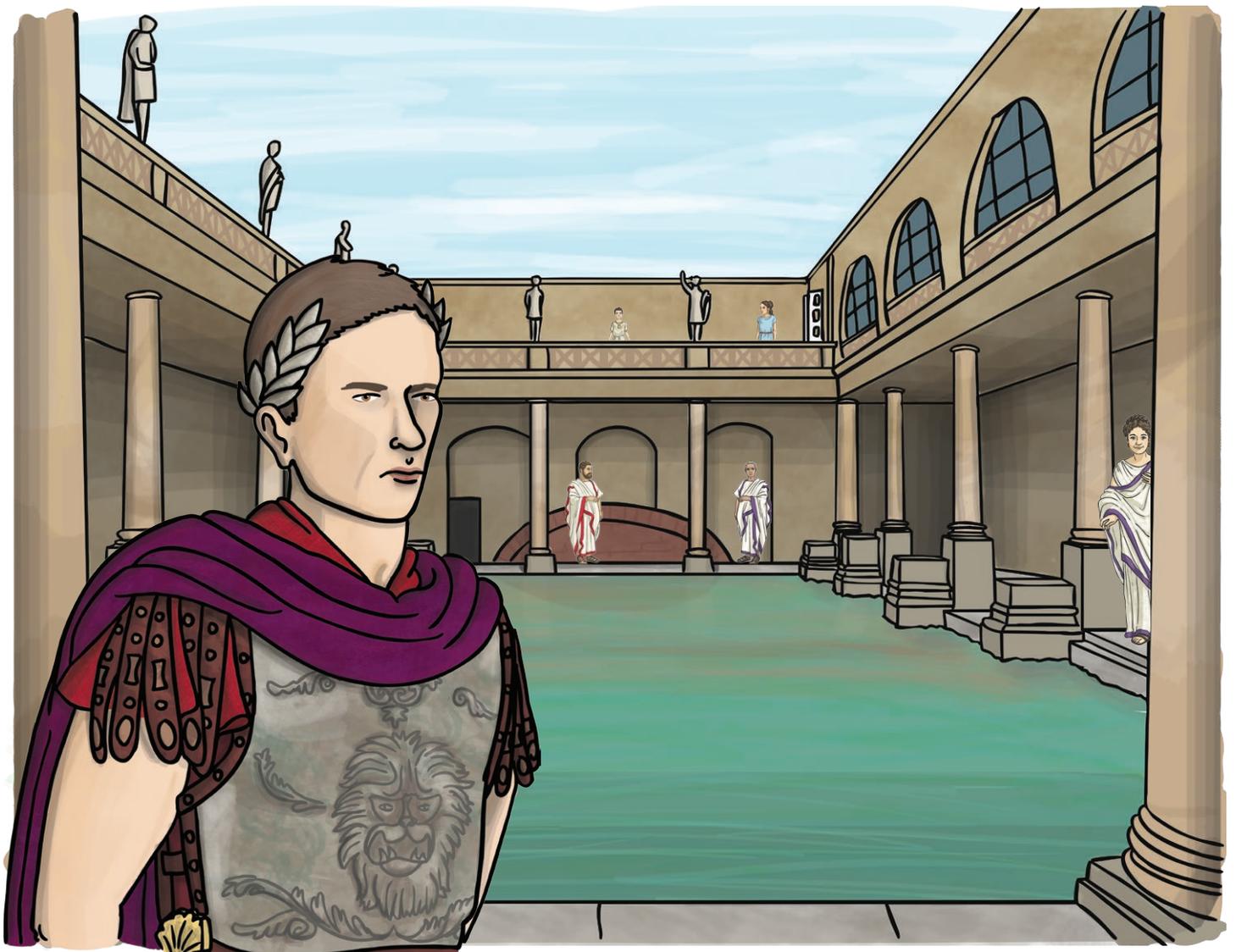
The Mystery of the Missing Toga

On a hot summer's day, citizens of Rome flooded to the local thermae to bathe and bask in the warm sunshine. Emperor Julius Caesar was no exception. However, as Julius went to retrieve his clothes after a relaxing rest in the tepidarium, he discovered that his most comfortable toga was nowhere to be seen!

As Detective Chief Inspector on the case, it is your job to find out who stole Caesar's toga! You have taken down the names and descriptions of 20 Roman citizens who visited the thermae that day. There are also five important clues that have been discovered at the scene of the crime.

To crack the case, you will need to solve each clue and check the information with the list of names. Will you be able to solve the mystery and return Caesar's toga before the thermae closes for the day?

Good luck!



Roman Citizen Descriptions

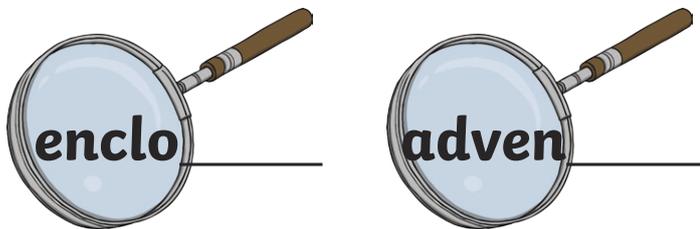
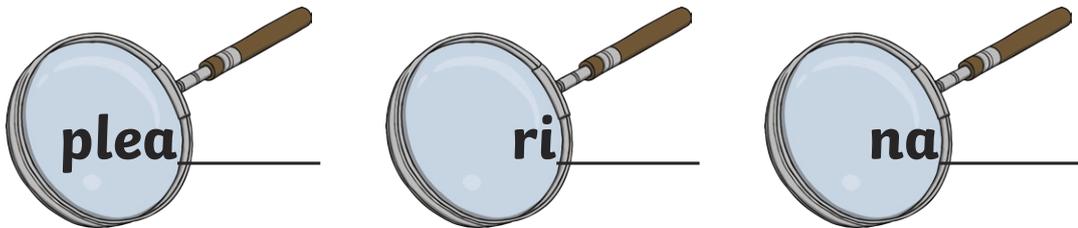
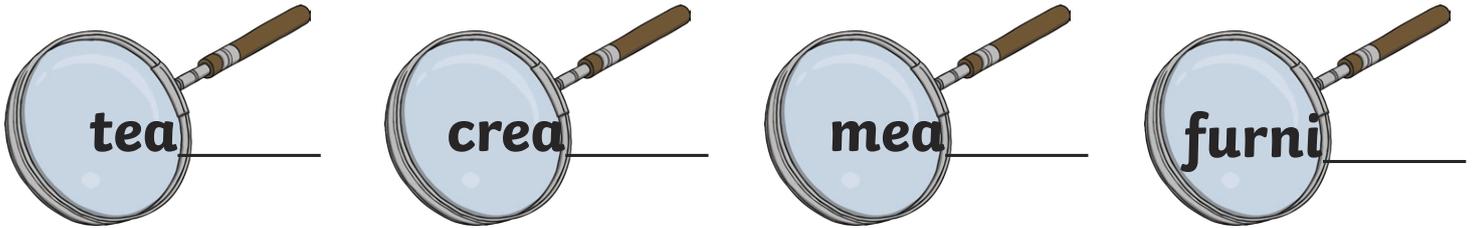
Name of Citizen	Male or Female?	Hair Colour	Number of Siblings	Sandal Size	Favourite Gladiator
Annia Marsica	female	black	4	4	Verus
Artoria Ravilla	female	black	5	6	Crixus
Caius Avitus	male	grey	3	5	Spiculus
Consentia Scaura	female	black	5	7	Spartacus
Cornelia Taurin	female	grey	6	4	Spiculus
Decimus Octavius	male	black	4	7	Verus
Favonia Cervida	female	brown	7	6	Crixus
Floria Adventa	female	brown	3	5	Spartacus
Manius Aquilius	male	black	4	7	Tetraites
Marcus Novellius	male	black	6	7	Spartacus
Maria Victorina	female	brown	8	6	Verus
Numerius Lurio	male	grey	5	8	Tetraites
Placus Adranos	male	black	3	9	Verus
Plinia Philippa	female	black	2	7	Crixus
Primus Cico	male	brown	4	8	Spiculus
Quintus Mancinus	male	brown	5	9	Tetraites
Rutilia Arriana	female	black	2	7	Tetraites
Septimus Galarius	male	grey	7	8	Crixus
Tiberius Albinus	male	black	4	7	Priscus
Vedia Senopiana	female	brown	5	4	Spartacus

The toga thief must be _____.

Clue 1

A Cut above the Rest

As the first person on the scene, you find an important piece of evidence. Floating in the water at the thermae, you find a long strand of hair. It must belong to the toga thief! Draw a line to match the word to the spelling pattern to correctly complete it. Make sure that you spell the words correctly. The spelling pattern with the most matching words will show the colour of the toga thief's hair.



brown hair



black hair



grey hair

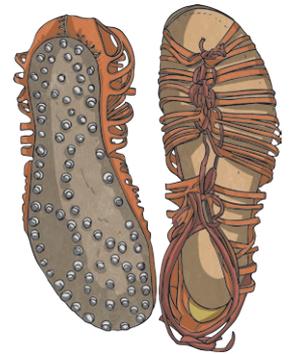
The spelling pattern with the most matching words is _____ so the toga thief's hair must be _____.

Clue 2

Putting Their Foot in It

On the floor of the tepidarium, you spot some wet footprints leading to the peg that Caesar's toga was taken from. The footprints must belong to the toga thief!

Read the sentences below carefully. Decide whether or not it contains an incorrectly spelt homophone. If it does, write the correct spelling in the box. If it doesn't, move onto the next sentence. The number of sentences which contain an incorrectly spelt homophone is the same as the trophy thief's sandal size.



Sentence	Error?	Correct Spelling
I hope the thief excepts the punishment given to them.		
It really isn't fair to do this to our emperor.		
Caesar will ball if he doesn't get his toga back.		
I will take grate relief from the thief's capture.		
The thermae will never here the end of this!		
Caesar is so cross: he'll make sure they are punished!		
I've knot seen this happen at any other thermae.		
I wonder if the suspect is male or female.		
The mane thing is that the police catch the thief.		
Caesar must only have mist them by a minute or two.		

There are _____ incorrectly spelt homophones so the toga thief must wear size _____ sandals.

Clue 3

Equal Opportunities

Thermae in Ancient Rome had separate rooms for men and women to use. One witness reports seeing the toga thief entering a specific pool – but was the pool for males or females? Each of these sentences has one piece of punctuation missing. Add the missing punctuation from the options below. The most common piece of missing punctuation will tell you whether the toga thief was male or female.

“We’re taking this search seriously” explained the chief.

We must watch out for thieves bandits and pilferers.

Caesars toga was worth a lot of money.

The atrium frigidarium and tepidarium have all been checked.

The thermaes reputation will be damaged forever.

The mens lockers will be thoroughly searched.

“Please catch the culprit swiftly” commanded Caesar.

The footprints distinctive shape should give the culprit away.

Local gladiators (Venus Crixus and Priscus) were appalled by the crime.

Togas coins and sandals are known to have been taken.



If a **comma** is missing most,
the toga thief is **male**.

If an **apostrophe** is missing
most, the toga thief is **female**.



The most common piece of missing punctuation is _____, so the toga thief must be _____.

Clue 4

A Family Affair

The toga thief couldn't have pulled off this dastardly crime without the help of their family. Read the words below. Only some of the words use the correct prefix to give the root word the opposite meaning. Circle the words which use the correct prefix and correct the words which don't. The number of words with a correctly used prefix will reveal how many siblings the toga thief has.

 imactive	 illegal	 ilcorrect	 inlegible
 impossible	 inmature	 antiseptic	 ilpatient
 antiperfect	 inclockwise	 imsocial	 irrelevant

There are _____ correctly used prefixes so the toga thief must have _____ siblings.

Clue 5

Battle Talk

Trapped in a crack in the tiled floor, you find a ticket to tomorrow's gladiator fight at the colosseum. It must have been dropped by the toga thief in their rush to escape! To find out who the toga thief's favourite gladiator is, follow the path of words with correctly used suffixes.

Start sadly	informly	usualous	preparely	simplation	couragely
information	dangerly	basication	famation	poisionly	simpleous
dangerous	outragation	happation	adorly	basicous	fameous
outrageous	usually	jealous	happily	adoration	completely
informous	jealy	compleous	adorous	completion	famous
usualation	famely	basically	various	simply	poisonous
dangeration	poisonation	preparation	basicly	preparous	simply
usuation	hideation	courageous	hideous	admiration	dramaticly
jealation	tremendly	outrageation	curiation	courteous	dramatically
happous	courageation	varily	serily	tremendation	sensation
Crixus	Priscus	Spartacus	Spiculus	Tetraites	Verus



The toga thief's favourite gladiator must
be _____.



The Mystery of the Missing Toga Answer Sheet

Clue 1: A Cut above the Rest

sure	ture	cher
measure	creature	teacher
pleasure	furniture	richer
enclosure	nature	
	adventure	

Answer to clue 1: The spelling pattern with the most matching words is **ture** so the toga thief's hair must be **black**.

Clue 2: Putting Their Foot in It

Sentence	Error?	Correct Spelling
I hope the thief excepts the punishment given to them.	✓	accepts
It really isn't fair to do this to our emperor.	X	-
Caesar will ball if he doesn't get his toga back.	✓	bawl
I will take grate relief from the thief's capture.	✓	great
The thermae will never here the end of this!	✓	hear
Caesar is so cross: he'll make sure they are punished!	X	-
I've knot seen this happen at any other thermae.	✓	not
I wonder if the suspect is male or female.	X	-
The mane thing is that the police catch the thief.	✓	main
Caesar must only have mist them by a minute or two.	✓	missed

Answer to clue 2: There are **7** incorrectly spelt homophones so the toga thief must wear size **7** sandals.

Clue 3: Equal Opportunities

Sentence	Missing Punctuation
"We're taking this search seriously," explained the chief.	comma
We must watch out for thieves, bandits and pilferers.	comma
Caesar's toga was worth a lot of money.	apostrophe
The atrium, frigidarium and tepidarium have all been checked.	comma
The thermae's reputation will be damaged forever.	apostrophe
The men's lockers will the thoroughly searched.	apostrophe
"Please catch the culprit swiftly," commanded Caesar.	comma
The footprints' distinctive shape should give the culprit away.	apostrophe
Local gladiators (Verus, Crixus and Priscus) were appalled by the crime.	comma
Togas, coins and sandals are known to have been taken.	comma

Answer to clue 3: The most common piece of missing punctuation is a **comma** so the toga thief must be **male**.

Clue 4: A Family Affair

Words which should be circled for using the correct prefix:

- illegal;
- impossible;
- antiseptic;
- irrelevant.

Corrections needed:

Original Word	Correction Needed
inactive	inactive
ilcorrect	incorrect
inlegible	illegible
inmature	immature
ilpatient	impatient
antiperfect	imperfect
inclockwise	anticlockwise
imsocial	antisocial

Answer to clue 4: There are **4** correctly used prefixes so the toga thief must have **4** siblings.

Clue 5: Battle Talk

The path of correctly used suffixes is:

Start

sadly	informly	usualous	preparely	simplation	couragely
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outrageous	usually	jealous	happily	adoration	completely
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Crixus

Priscus

Spartacus

Spiculus

Tetraites

Verus

Answer to clue 5: The toga thief's favourite gladiator must be **Verus**.

The toga thief must be **Decimus Octavius**.