



MFL

Les Romains

Year 4, Spring 1



By the end of the unit I will be able to..

Tell somebody in French the key facts and key people involved in the history of the Roman Empire.

☑ Say the days of the week in French and learn how these are related to the Roman gods and goddesses.

☑ Tell somebody in French what the most famous Roman inventions were.

☑ Learn what life was like for a rich and a poor child in Roman times.

☑ Introduce the children to the concept of the negative form in French.

Speaking Exercise

Can you say any of the following in French?

Roman mythology.

Roman baths.

I am rich.

I am poor.

I am rich and I go to school.

Listening Exercise

From the extended listening exercise on the PowerPoint slide, write any of the numbers that correspond to the five different foods the speaker says they DO eat.

Listen carefully as they also name some foods they do NOT eat!

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Reading Exercise

Can you read the passage in French below and then answer any of the questions in English?

Selon la légende, un berger, Faustulus, a trouvé Romulus et Rémus et il a élevé les jumeaux avec sa femme, Acca Larentia.

Selon la légende, des années plus tard, Romulus et Rémus ont décidé de fonder une ville, Rome.

Is this story fact or legend?

Who found Romulus and Remus?

What job did Faustulus do?

Who was Acca Larentia?

Which city did Romulus & Remus create?

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Writing Exercise

Can you write any of the following five phrases in French?

I am a Roman boy.

I am rich.

I wear a toga.

I go to school.

I do not work.

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Phonics & pronunciation we will see:

Recommended phonics focus: É E È EAU EUX

- **É** sound in **Rémus, légende & Jésus**
- **E** sound in **le & selon**
- **È** sound **frère, père, mère & athlètes**
- **EAU** sound in **jumeau**
- **EUX** sound in **deux & dieux**



- **Silent letters.** The 's' is not pronounced in **les** and the 't' is not pronounced in **est** and **font**. Both these consonants are often silent letters when they are at the end of words in French.

- **Nasal sounds.** Exploring the four French nasal sounds (**on, un, in** and **an**). This sound does not exist in English and is made through the nose not the mouth! Words like **latin, lundi, garçon, dimanche, mange** and **viette**.



Key Vocab

Les Romains- the Romans

La légende- the legend

L'histoire de Rome- The history of Rome

L'Empire Romain- the Roman Empire

La Royauté- the Roman Monarchy

La République-The Roman Republic

Les sénateurs-The senators

Les esclaves- the slaves

