

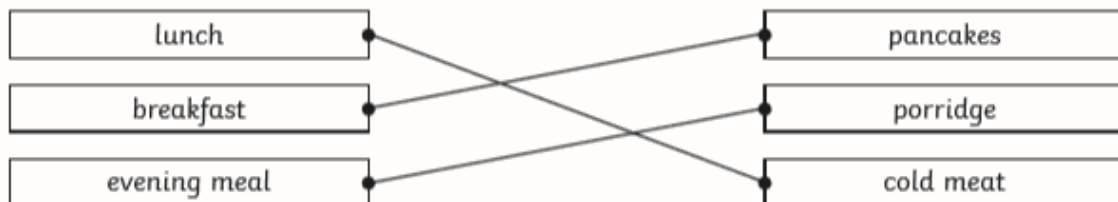
# The Romans reading comprehension answers

## 1 star challenge answers

1. Which of these did a Roman man wear? Tick **two**.

- ☒ **a knee-length tunic**
- ☐ an ankle-length tunic
- ☒ **a cloak over their tunic**
- ☐ a dress over their tunic

2. Join the boxes to show during which meal these foods would have been eaten.



3. Which of these places were part of the Roman Empire? Tick **three**.

- ☒ **Europe**
- ☐ North America
- ☒ **Middle East**
- ☒ **North Africa**

4. Which of these did Romans **not** enjoy? Tick **one**.

- ☐ hunting
- ☒ watching the television
- ☐ watching chariot races
- ☐ watching gladiator fights

5. What is the name of the long robe that rich Roman men would wear?

**The long robe that rich Roman men wore was called a toga.**

6. Find and copy the name of the material that rich Roman women would make their tunics from.

**silk**

7. Would you have enjoyed being a Roman? Give a reason for your answer.

**Pupils' own responses, such as: I think I would have enjoyed being a Roman because I would have liked to watch the chariot racing. It would have been fun.**

## 2 star challenge answers

1. Which of these did a Roman woman wear? **Tick all** that apply.

- ☐ a knee-length tunic
- ☒ **an ankle-length tunic**
- ☐ a cloak over their tunic
- ☒ **a dress over their tunic**

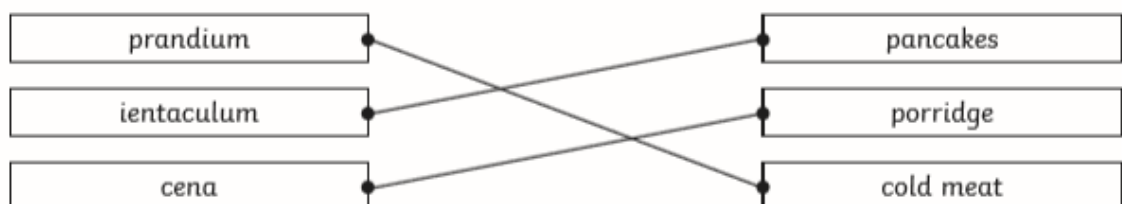
2. Number these Roman items to show the order they appear in the text. The first one has been done for you.

- 2** toga
- 1** tunic
- 4** bulla
- 5** lunula
- 3** stola

3. Which of these was the Roman word for breakfast? **Tick one**.

- ☒ **ientaculum**
- ☐ prandium
- ☐ cena
- ☐ lunula

4. Join the boxes to show during which meal these foods would have been eaten.



5. Find and copy **two** things that poorer Romans would have eaten for their evening meal.

**porridge**  
**vegetables**

6. Find and copy the material that Roman sandals would have been made from.

**leather**

7. Give one reason why you would have liked to have been a Roman and one reason why you would not have liked to have been a Roman.

**Pupils' own responses, such as: I would have liked to have been a Roman because the clothes sound comfortable to wear. I would not have liked to have been a Roman because I do not like to eat fish so I would not have enjoyed lunch!**

8. **The Romans did not have much free time.**

Why do you think that this was the case?

**Pupils' own responses, such as: I think that the Romans didn't have much free time because they were busy invading countries to expand the Roman Empire.**

### 3 star challenge answers

1. From which **two** materials could a toga be made? Tick **two**.

- ☐ cotton
- ☒ **linen**
- ☒ **wool**
- ☐ elastic

2. **Tick all** the statements which are true.

- ☐ All Roman soldiers came from the city of Rome.
- ☐ Roman children all wore the same clothes.
- ☒ **Roman men wore a tunic with a cloak wrapped around it.**
- ☐ Roman women wore a tunic called a lunula.

3. Find and copy **two** things that a Roman woman wore.

**Accept any two of the following: an ankle-length tunic; a dress (stola); long tunics made from silk; jewellery; brooches; leather sandals; leather boots.**

4. From which material would Roman sandals or boots be made?

**leather**

5. Find and copy an adjective from the text which is used to describe the dinner parties that wealthy Romans would throw.

**lavish**

6. Fully explain what you would be wearing if you were in Roman times right now.

**Pupils' own responses, such as: I am a girl so I would be wearing a long tunic with a wool belt. I would also be wearing a lunula to protect me from the evil eye.**

7. Give one way that a bulla and a lunula are similar and one way that they differ.

**Pupils' own responses, such as: A bulla and a lunula are similar because they are both worn around the neck. They differ because a bulla is like a locket but a lunula is a necklace with a crescent moon-shaped charm on it.**

8. Compare your hobbies to those of a Roman.

**Pupils' own responses, such as: My hobbies are similar to those of the Romans because they watched chariot races and I like to watch Formula 1 racing on TV with my mum.**