

## Expedition: Ancient Rome

Timeline: 9 weeks

Grade: 8th

### Guiding Questions:

- How did Rome transform from a monarchy to a republic and finally to an empire?
- What problems led to the fall of the Roman Empire?
- What ideas, advances, and cultural aspects of Ancient Rome have influenced us today?

### Learning Targets:

- Students will be able to describe the major events and people that shaped the rise and decline of Rome.
- Students will understand the pro's and con's of a large empire.
- Students will be able to identify the influences of Rome today and throughout history.
- Students will be able to embody a fictitious character from Ancient Rome.
- Students will be able to reproduce and recognize the importance of Roman architecture.

Week	Language	Math	Science	Social Studies	Art/Music	Spanish	Biblical Int.
1	Research			BBK- Ancient Rome			
2		BBK- Arches & Columns	Diseases in Ancient Rome	Founding of Rome; Monarchy		Compare/Contrast Gov't in DR & Rome	
3				Begin Timeline; Monarchy to Republic			
4	Historical Fiction			Geography of Italy			
5		Construction of Arch/Column Block Sets		Republic to Empire Transition			Paul & Spread of Christianity
6				Roman Emperors; Timeline			
7	Wax Museum Characters			Division & Fall of Empire; Timeline			
8	Wax Museum Practice	Exped. Night Entrance Columns		Aqueducts & Baths			
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### Products:

- Wax museum of researched characters from Ancient Rome
- Miniature block sets of arches and columns
- Timeline of Ancient Rome events and rulers
- Essay comparing Dominican and Roman government

### Service Projects:

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