

VIVA ROMA No. V

I,II,III,IV,V.

Roman legion's at your door and you can't hide

from the society and culture assimilate everything you got like a hungry vulture.

They loved anything that's Greek.

They used concrete. Built it wide and deep. They made bridges, highways, statues so real.

In every detail not like the Greek ideal.

You know, when they built they used the arch, vault and dome.

To build It big. 'cause big is Rome.

Roman law, code of justice. You can trust it's the age of Augustus.

Some poetry by Virgill, that's what he did. His famous poem called the Aeneid. A little bit of duty was the theme. And faithfulness to Rome, that was his dream.

Another poet, Horace, his friend indeed. He wrote of human weaknesses and greed.

Historian Livy he did debut. His "history of Rome", but it's not all true.

The Roman gods you know they gave a nod to the Greeks. 'cause the names were the only things that changed.

An emperor could be divine. Have his own temple and his own shrine.

If you were a slave. You had to behave and you don't start a fuss like that pesky Spartacus.

The third and second centuries B.C. they showed their engineering expertise.

They liked to wear a toga and a cloak. Appropriated from Etruscan folk.

The aqueducts with running water gush. The citizens to the arenas rush to find a little respite from the stress.

Only concerned with "bread and circuses".

The "parterfamilias" he was boss. His children's education, he paid the cost. His daughters he guarded just like a hound. Until they were 14 and husbands found.

They wealthy lived in villas having fun. Out in the countryside, under the sun.

The poor resided crammed under one roof. In "insulae" that were not fireproof.

Caput mundi.

Senate run by the bourgeoisie.

Government, law, and the Roman way.

Still impacts or lives today.

Activities:

1. Translate the words underlined.

2. Explain the meaning of the following sentences:

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