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Chapter 35 Reading Guide
Exploring Ancient Rome: “Daily Life in the Roman Empire”
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SECTION I: VOCABULARY

Define each of the following terms.

Thermopolia:

Atrium:

Stylus:

Villa:

Fasces:

Toga:

Bulla:

SECTION II: DAILY LIFE & THE LAW

1. Your textbook states that Ancient Rome in the 1st and 2nd century B.C.E. was a “city of contrasts”. Explain what this means. How was life different for people of different social classes?

2. In the Roman Empire, the ultimate source of law was the _____, although the _____ and _____ were also important sources of law.

3. A Roman judge once said, “Whatever pleases the _____ is the law.” What problems do you think this policy might cause?

4. Crime was common in Ancient Rome. How did people try to protect themselves from the theft, assault, and murder that were rampant in parts of the city?

5. Although Romans believed that one law should apply to all citizens, in reality, law was not applied equally. In general, the _____ faced harsher punishments than the _____.

SECTION III: FAMILY LIFE & FOOD

1. Family life in Ancient Rome was ruled by the *paterfamilias*, or “_____”.

2. A Roman _____’s word was law in his own home, and even his grown children had to obey him. How is this practice similar to or different than the rules in YOUR household?

2. What role did wealthy Roman women play in their households?

3. How was the transition to adulthood celebrated differently for boys and girls?

<u>BOYS</u>	<u>GIRLS</u>
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4. What did a typical Roman breakfast, lunch, and dinner look like? What were some of the favorite foods and drinks of the Ancient Romans? How is the typical Ancient Roman diet similar to and/or different than YOUR diet?

ANCIENT ROMAN	YOU
<i>Breakfast</i>	<i>Breakfast</i>
<i>Lunch</i>	<i>Lunch</i>
<i>Dinner</i>	<i>Dinner</i>

<p style="text-align: center;">ANCIENT ROMAN</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">YOU</p>
<p><i>Favorite Foods</i></p>	<p><i>Favorite Foods</i></p>
<p><i>Favorite Drinks</i></p>	<p><i>Favorite Drinks</i></p>

SECTION IV: EDUCATION

How was the educational experience different for boys and girls in Ancient Rome?

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