

DISCOVER THE MYSTERY OF THE SCHOLA ΓΟΜΑΠΛ...

CHILDREN'S BOOKLET

The professor Antonin is the last member of the mysterious Schola Romana whose main task is to protect the museum's priceless treasures...

Go and discover certain characters in the museum. They are the keys that will give you the secret sign of belonging that will let you join this society.

**Are you ready
to undertake this quest?**

Then we are off!

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IN THE AGE OF THE GAULS

1 WARRIOR BUST OF ΣΑΠΤ ΑΠΑΣΤΑΣΙΑ

I am a Gaulish warrior of the Arecomic Volques tribe. I regularly fight other Gaulish tribes and, later, the Romans, to defend my territory or keep control of a trading route. The bust that you see before you was made when I died to honour me.

My most loyal companion was always with me on the battlefield, which is why he is painted and engraved several times on my bust.

Can you guess which animal it is?



 clue 1

look at the details of this piece
to find the answer

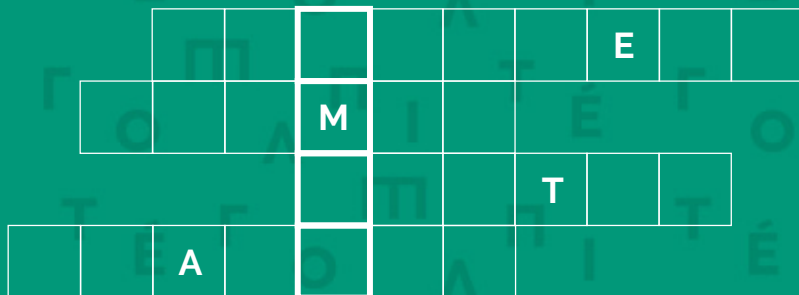
2 WEAPONS: SHIELD / SPEAR / SWORD

As a good Gaulish warrior, I need my equipment before going into battle. Here, you can see everything that the archaeologists have found of my armament: helmet, folded sword, shield and spear tip.

Unfortunately, although materials such as metal survive over time, this is not the case with the wood in my shield... All that remains of this is the convex part in the centre.

To discover its name in Latin, complete the grid below with the words given:

BATTLE – WEAPONS – EQUIPMENT – HELMET



IN THE AGE OF THE GALLO- GOTIANS

3 STATUE OF PERTUPE

My name is Neptune, powerful god of the seas and oceans, I am one of the three main gods of the **Roman pantheon**. By looking at it more closely, several clues will enable you to identify me: the bow of the ship, the dolphin on the left and the triton on the right, but above all, the trident that I always have with me.

You will notice that the tip of my trident is missing... Here, they did not come to pray to me; my statue decorated the edge of a basin and was used to bring the water. So I am a...

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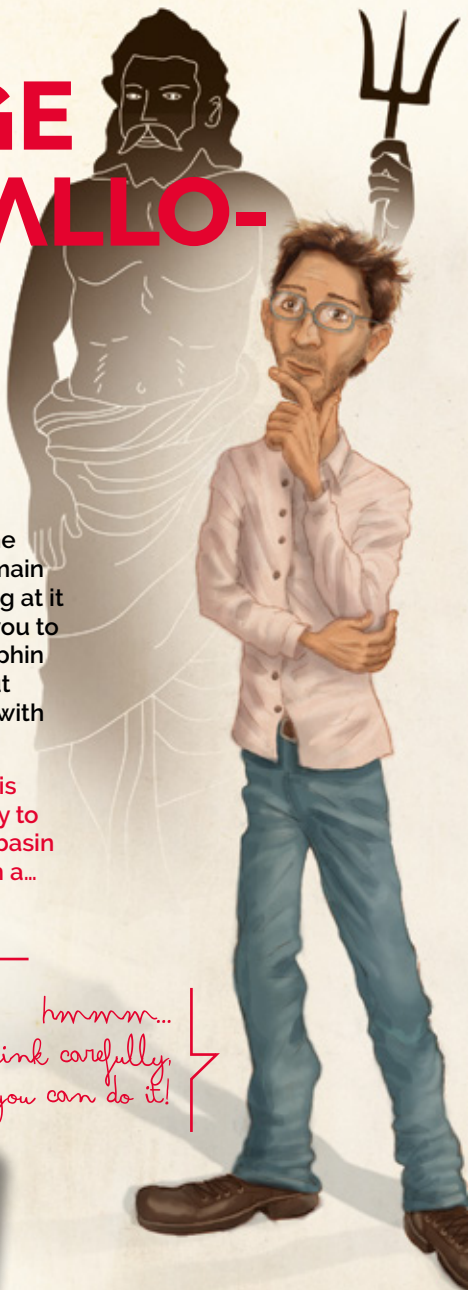


clue 3

hmmm...
think carefully,
I'm sure you can do it!

* Vocabulary memo

Roman pantheon:
all of the gods and goddesses
of Roman mythology.



**Now, head to the mezzanine.
It's time for a short break,
don't you think?**

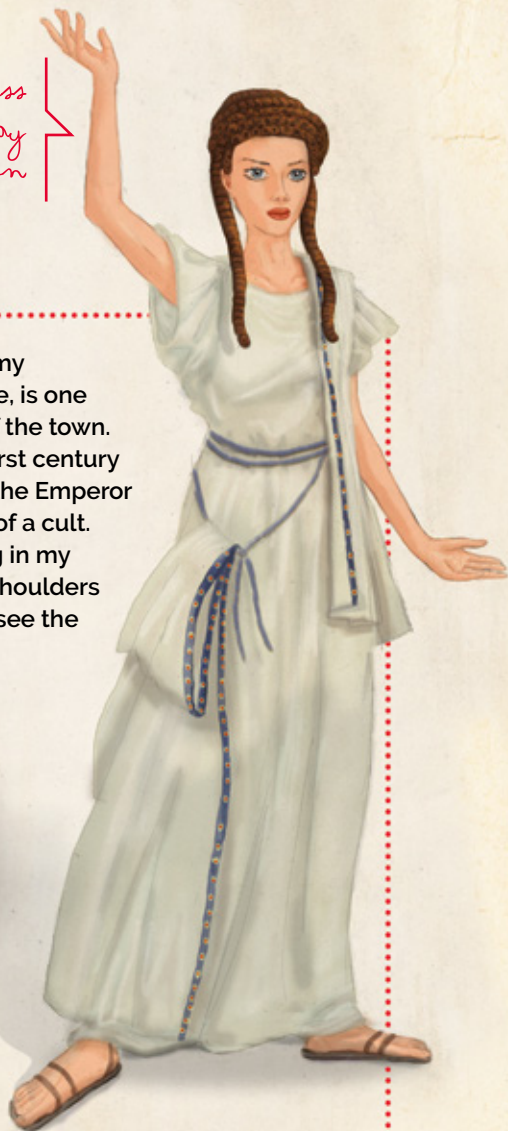
Look at the mosaics around you. They were used to decorate the floors of certain rich Roman houses. Among other things, they depicted all sorts of animals (dolphins, panthers, Medusa, etc.). Choose the one that you prefer and draw it below.



observe my dress
and my hair, they say
a lot about my position

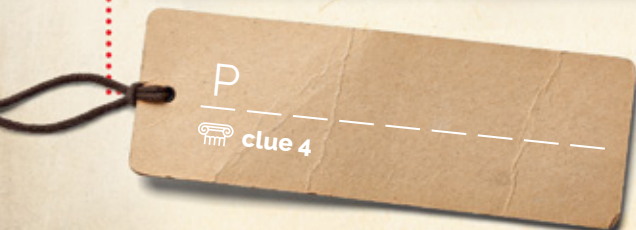
4 LICINIA FLAVILLA

My name is Licinia Flavilla, and my husband, depicted alongside me, is one of the four highest authorities of the town. At the time when I lived, in the first century A.D., Nîmes was at its peak and the Emperor and his family were the subject of a cult. The headband that I am wearing in my hair and which drapes over my shoulders symbolises my function: to oversee the rites relating to this cult.



To find out my exact function,
cross out every other letter,
starting with the first:

Z P A R H I X E B S U T Q E D S F S I



5 THE OIL LAMP

I am a slave, and at nightfall, in my master's house, I light all of the sources of light (lamps, candles, etc.). Take a close look at the big lamp in the showcase, the one made of bronze (coloured green). The little animal positioned above often comes to lick the olive oil that was used as **fuel***

What is this animal?

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 clue 5

*shh,
don't make any noise,
everybody is sleeping*

6 THE CROCODILE ON THE COINAGE AT NÎMES

On the **reverse side*** of this coin, I am the crocodile chained to a palm, which represents the Egypt of Cleopatra vanquished by Augustus, the future Roman Emperor, and Agrippa, his general (represented on the **obverse side***). You will come across this symbol all over the place in the town because it became its emblem.

If you come a little closer, you will see an inscription on this item. It is the abbreviation of « Colonia Nemausus » (Colony of Nîmes), the Latin name of the town.

Note it just below:

 clue 6



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* Vocabulary memo

Fuel: material which produces heat when burned. In this case, olive oil, to provide a flame.

Obverse/reverse: the obverse is the side of a coin or a medal on which the main design (image) is found, here the portraits of Augustus and Agrippa. The other side is called the reverse.

IN THE AGE OF THE KNIGHTS

7 THE BATTLE OF THE MONSTERS

We are in the Middle Ages, the great era of lords and knights, but I was already depicted long ago by the Romans. I am an imaginary creature composed of several parts of animals.

To find out who I am, carefully examine how I am done on the drawing below, and transfer the coloured letters in the correct order.

VIII

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clue 7

BIRD WINGS

PARROT BEAK

EAGLE
CLAWS

HORSE BODY



THE AGE OF THE COLLECTORS

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VASE OF HERACLES KILLING THE NEMEAN LION

My name is Heracles and I am the biggest and strongest of the Greek heroes. For a terrible crime committed in a moment of madness, I was sentenced to carry out 12 labours. The one depicted on this vase is the first: kill the invincible Nemean lion. I did it, not bad, is it?

An Italian collector found it so beautiful that he bought this vase about 170 years ago.

Heracles is my Greek name, but do you know my Roman name?



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Well done!

You have completed your tasks by decrypting all of the clues! In fact, not quite...

To discover which animal is the emblem of the mysterious Schola Romana, in this grid, cross out the solutions to each enigma. The remaining letters will give you the answer.

U	H	P	F	M	P	A
M	E	G	O	E	R	E
B	R	R	U	N	I	S
O	C	I	N	L	E	R
N	U	F	T	O	S	O
T	L	F	A	C	T	H
H	E	I	I	E	E	R
	S	N	N		S	
M	O	U	S	E	S	

Answer:



congratulations!

By discovering the symbolic animal of the Schola Romana, you will deserve the right to join this secret school.

To become a member in your own right, go to the museum's shop and collect your badge upon presentation of your completed booklet.

See you soon for new adventures!

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Answers to the enigmas:

clue 1 = HORSE, clue 2 = UMBO, clue 3 = FOUNTAIN,
clue 4 = PRIESTESS, clue 5 = MOUSE, clue 6 = COL NEM,
clue 7 = GRIFFIN, clue 8 = HERCULES
Final grid answer: PANTHER



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