

Rome Map Clues

Use place clues to locate ancient Rome on a world map.

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1 READ AND MARK _____ Read it twice

YOUR JOB Underline each word or phrase that tells where ancient Rome was, so you can use location clues to find it on a world map.

Finding Ancient Rome

- ① Ancient Rome began as a city beside the Tiber River. The city was on the Italian Peninsula, a piece of land that reaches into the Mediterranean Sea. Italy is in the continent of Europe. On a world map, look for Europe above Africa. Then find the long, boot-shaped Italian Peninsula stretching south into the sea.
- ② Rome grew from one city into an empire. At different times, Roman land surrounded much of the Mediterranean Sea. The sea lies between Europe and Africa, and Asia is east of Europe. A world map helps show that Rome was not in Africa or Asia. It started in Europe, west of Asia and north of Africa.
- ③ To locate ancient Rome, use big places first. Find Europe, then find Italy in southern Europe. The Italian Peninsula points into the Mediterranean Sea. Next, look for the city of Rome on the peninsula, near its western side. The ancient Romans later controlled lands on several shores of the sea, but their city began in Italy.

2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE _____ Use the passage

1 In which continent did ancient Rome begin?

2 After finding Europe, what landform should you find to locate Rome?

3 Which sea does the Italian Peninsula reach into?

4 Use the passage directions. Is ancient Rome north or south of Africa, and east or west of Asia?

3 YOUR TURN _____ Your own words

Write two sentences that tell a classmate where to place a dot for ancient Rome on a blank world map. Name the continent and include one direction or water clue.

PART 1 • READ AND MARK

Underline each word or phrase that tells where ancient Rome was, so you can use location clues to find it on a world map. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

PART 2 • ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	In which continent did ancient Rome begin?	Europe.
2	After finding Europe, what landform should you find to locate Rome?	The Italian Peninsula.
3	Which sea does the Italian Peninsula reach into?	The Mediterranean Sea.
4	Use the passage directions. Is ancient Rome north or south of Africa, and east or west of Asia?	Ancient Rome was north of Africa and west of Asia.

PART 3 • YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

Place a dot in Europe on the Italian Peninsula. Put it north of Africa beside the Mediterranean Sea.

Accept accurate location directions that name Europe and correctly place Rome in Italy on the Italian Peninsula. For the open task, accept any two sentences with a correct continent and a correct direction or Mediterranean Sea clue.