

LatinSummer – Family Discussion Questions

Day 1: Names, Greetings, Roman Gods and Goddesses

1. Which Roman name did you pick for yourself? Why?
2. Which god or goddess' powers would you want? Why?
3. Discuss with your family the Latin names for the days of the week. Which ones are similar to our names?
4. Share with your family one story about your favorite god or goddess.

TOMORROW PLEASE BRING A PICTURE OF YOU (ONE WHICH IS OKAY TO CUT) AND A SMALL BEDSHEET (WHICH WILL NOT BE CUT).

Day 2: Numbers, More Gods and Goddesses, Clothes

1. Would you want to wear the Romans' clothing? Why or why not?
2. How did the clothes of the Romans differ from our clothes?
3. Tell your family three English words we get from Latin.
4. Count to ten in Latin for your family.

PLEASE BRING A PICTURE OF YOU WITH YOUR FAMILY TOMORROW.

Day 3: Family, Archaeology

1. Explain to your family the Latin words for the family, and then ask them to help you think of English words that come from the Latin.
2. How do you think a Roman family might have been different from your family? How do you think a Roman family would be the same as your family?
3. Tell your family about how you were an archaeologist today. What was hard about being an archaeologist? Do you think you would want to be an archaeologist? Why or why not?

Day 4: Classroom, Roman Houses

1. Draw a picture of your classroom and label the items in Latin.
2. Which rooms of the Roman house are similar to rooms we have today? Which are different?
3. Based on what you learned about Roman houses, would you want to live in one? Why or why not?

PLEASE BRING A BEACH TOWEL TOMORROW.

Day 5: Colors, Animals, Constellation Myths

1. Describe five items in your house by saying their color in Latin.
2. Ask your family what their favorite animal is and tell them its Latin name. How many of the Latin names are similar to their names in English?
3. Play I-Spy with your family using the Latin words for the colors.

Day 6: More Animals and Colors, Body Parts, Transformation Myths, Architecture

1. Tell your family what you learned about Roman architecture. See if you can find some modern examples.
2. Tell your family the Latin words for body parts. Can you find English words that sound like these?
3. Tell your family about the Roman aqueducts. What purpose did they serve? What do we have instead of aqueducts today?

Day 7: Foods/Banquet, Commands, Food Myths

1. Tell your family about Roman food. How is it like our food? How was it different?
2. Explain to your family what a Roman banquet was like. Would you like to eat like a Roman? Why or why not?
3. Play *Simo Dicit* (“Simon Says”) with your family. Use as many of the Latin words for commands and body parts as you can.

PLEASE BRING A SHOEBOX TOMORROW.

Day 8: Adjectives, Roads and Italian Geography

1. Tell your family some Latin adjectives, and act them out with them.
2. Explain some of the landforms found in Italy and where exactly they are located. (Hint: Think about your Italy cookie!)
3. Name the layers of the Roman roads. Now tell your family how you constructed an edible road.
4. Why were roads important for the Romans?

Day 9: Natural World, Nature Myths, Sentence Structure

1. Point out some nature items in your backyard and say their names in Latin.
2. Tell your family a nature myth.
3. Write a simple sentence and see if your family can translate it. Give help if needed!

PLEASE WEAR YOUR LATINSUMMER T-SHIRT TOMORROW. REMEMBER THE RĪTUS TERMINĀLIS (FINAL CEREMONY) IS AT 11:45 AM TOMORROW!