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Roman Things to Make and Do

United Kingdom (2012)

TAGS: Diana Emperor Gladiators Gods Neptune Roman Senate





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General information	
Title of the work	Roman Things to Make and Do
Country of the First Edition	United Kingdom
Country/countries of popularity	United Kingdom, United States of America, Canada
Original Language	English
First Edition Date	2012
First Edition Details	Leonie Pratt, *Roman Things to Make and Do*, "Usborne Activities". Usborne Publishing, 2012, 34 pp.
ISBN	9781409538974
Genre	Activity book*
Target Audience	Children (5–10 years)
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Additional information

Summary	This is an activity book which offers 18 Roman-themed activities for children: standing soldier paperchain, racing chariot painting, Roman sword, soldier's shield, city collage, gladiator fight, senate picture, scroll, sticker pages, emperor's wreath, Pop-up Roman god card (Neptune, Diana and Jupiter) coins and money bags, printed mosaics, catapult, cuffs and bangles, Roman feast picture, actor's masks, how to wear a toga. There are short information bubbles for each activity.
Analysis	This activity book offers a diverse glance at the ancient Romans. The activities are not focused only on the military aspect of Roman life, but also on entertainment, culture and everyday life. Even Roman numbers are explained. Hence they provide a broader look and understanding of ancient Rome. The short information blurbs on each activity provide the necessary information for understanding it. For example, in the "senate picture" activity, the note explains what the senate was and how many senators sat in it. On the Roman gods' activity, it is explained that Romans believed in many different gods and there is a short explanation for Neptune Diana and Jupiter. Probably for creativity's sake, Neptune has a fish tail. This is an example of a fun and creative pedagogical book which can accompany school classes on the subject of ancient Rome or function as an initial introduction to ancient Roman culture.
Classical, Mythological, Traditional Motifs, Characters, and Concepts	Diana Emperor Gladiators Gods Neptune Roman Senate
Other Motifs, Figures, and Concepts Relevant for Children and Youth Culture	Joy of reading Learning

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