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Facts to Know

Virgil

Roman poet

Mediterranean Sea

main body of water south of Rome

Vocabulary

1. **deftly**

skillfully and quickly (in one's movements)

2. **uncouth**

lacking good manners

Comprehension Questions

1. According to Virgil, what was the mission of Rome?

The mission of Rome was to conquer the world and then rule her empire with law and order.

2. What are the three ways that the author believes that the spirit of a nation expresses itself?

The spirit of a nation is displayed in its political history, its language or literature, and in its architecture.

Activities

1. Create a timeline to track the major events of ancient Rome.