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INSTRUCTIONS

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INFORMATION

- The questions tell you which source you need to use.
- This document has **8** pages.

Sources A, B and C give information about Roman Myths and Beliefs.

Source A: Aeneas escapes from Troy (as depicted by Bernini, early 1600s AD)



Source B: An inscription from the tombstone of Magnilla

Spirits who live in the Underworld, lead innocent Magnilla through the groves and the Elysian fields directly to your places of rest.

She was snatched away in her eighth year by cruel fate while she was still enjoying the tender time of childhood.

She was beautiful and sensitive, clever, elegant, sweet, and charming beyond her years.

This poor child who was deprived of her life so quickly must be mourned with perpetual lament and tears.

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Source C: A carving of the Roman God Vulcan, Herculaneum, Italy



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Sources D, E and F give information about the Romans in Britain.

Source D: Part of the bath complex at Bath (Aquae Sulis)



Source E: An extract from Tacitus' *Agricola*

The climate is foul with frequent rains and mists, but there is no extreme cold. Their day is longer than in our part of the world. The night is bright and, in the furthest part of Britannia, so short that you can barely distinguish the evening from the morning twilight. If no clouds block the view, the sun's glow, they say, can be seen all night long: it does not set and rise, but simply passes along the horizon. In fact, the flat ends of the earth cannot, with their low shadow, raise the darkness to any height; night therefore fails to reach the sky and its stars.

The soil is productive of crops, except for olives, grapes and other natives of warmer climes, and rich in cattle. Crops are slow to ripen, but quick to grow – both facts due to one and the same cause, the abundant moisture of land and sky. Britannia yields gold, silver and other metals, a reward for victory. The Ocean, too, produces pearls, but they are dusky and mottled. Some think that those who gather them lack skill. Whereas in the Red Sea they are torn alive and breathing from the rocks, in Britannia they are collected as the sea throws them up. I find more plausible a lack of quality in pearls than of greed in us.

Tacitus, *Agricola* 12

Source F: The remains of a Roman road at Blackstone Edge, Manchester



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