



CHAPTER 4: FAVOUR AND PUNISHMENT

Temples

1. To the Romans, a temple was a place where a divine being _____
2. Most temples were dedicated to one god or goddess, but some were shared. What is the name of the temple in Rome dedicated to all the gods? _____

Priests and Priestesses

3. Why might a Roman want to become a priest? _____

Favour: sacrifices and offerings

4. What sorts of things might a Roman offer to the gods? _____

5. Where would an animal sacrifice take place? _____
6. Why would a priest look at the entrails of a sacrificed animal? _____

7. After a sacrifice, what would the Romans do with the meat from the sacrificed animal?

8. What was a libation? _____
9. When would a Roman present a votive offering to a god or goddess? _____



Punishment

10. What might cause the gods to punish the Romans? _____

11. If a Vestal Virgin had a lover, how was she punished? _____

12. What happened to the Vestal Virgin Marcia in 114 BC? Explain why the Romans decided to act this way. _____

Curses

Consider Figure 4.7: Curse tablet from Roman Britain

- Explain how and why the Romans used curse tablets _____

The Underworld

13. The Greek myths about the Underworld tell us there were different regions within it. What are we told about the following two regions?

- the Elysian Fields _____

- Tartarus _____
