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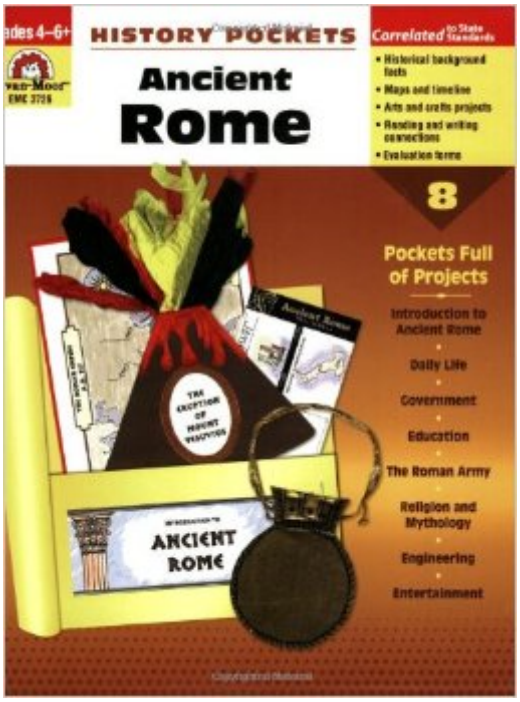

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Synopsis

The hands-on projects in Ancient Rome will take your students back to the days of Caesars and Roman legions, Pompeii and the Pantheon. You get information pages, maps, a timeline, arts and crafts projects, reading and writing connections, and evaluation forms. The teacher pages feature step-by-step project directions and photographs of the completed projects. The topics presented are: Introduction to Ancient Rome, Daily Life, Government, Education, The Roman Army, Religion and Mythology, Engineering, and Entertainment. Front cover bullets: Historical background facts, Timeline and maps, Arts and crafts projects, Reading and writing connections, and Evaluation forms.

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Customer Reviews

As a homeschool Mom I have been looking and looking for a hands on history lesson book for my 5th grader and found nothing till now. This book teaches great, simple history lessons while being completely hands on and I don't have to figure it out on my own. If you've ever attempted to create your own lap books, they are not easy and you pretty much have to figure it out yourself. This book does it all for you. It tells you exactly what page to photo copy from the book, exactly what size and color paper and any other simple supplies you may need. As the Mom teaching, I love this book, but more important, my son is really learning history and for the first time in his life he is enjoying and retaining it! I loved this book so much I purchased every title written!

I love the History Pockets books! I teach 6th grade Ancient Civilizations to heterogenous classes. These books are fantastic at getting the kids interested in the content. I haven't used many of the activities from the books, but I've used some of the ideas for the activities to create my own. I've used the readings themselves for stations and other activities and they are perfect for struggling readers, but not too simplified for the on grade level and higher kids. The readings also touch on many of the important aspects of the content and are great for introducing the information. I can't write enough to say how much I love these books even if you don't use them to make "pockets." :)

This book has a number of wonderful ways to support deep learning about the topic, Ancient Rome. Whether you're teaching in the classroom or home schooling, students read a passage about an aspect of ancient Roman culture and then make something. IN the chapter on The Roman Army, students read about shields and how they were used in a defensive formation "Testudo (Tortoise) Formation," and then they make a shield. We've made a, Roman cookbook, and a couple of tasty dishes from the cookbook. (You can take this even further and have the students create a menu from the terms they've learned in the Daily Life section.) We've also made a volcano-shaped book with facts about Pompeii. There are eight chapters including Government, Education, Religion and Mythology, Engineering, Entertainment, and more. At the end of each chapter there is an opportunity for the child to reflect on all that they've learned and write a short response and reflection sheet.

These pocket books are a great accompaniment to any history program. I've used them with mystery of history and now with vision forum's history of Christianity and human civilization.

Our family has enjoyed using history pockets for a good portion of our history curriculum. The kids enjoy making the books, and it makes learning the material more fun.

I used this in my Roman History class with 6th graders. It was useful and the kids liked it, too.

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