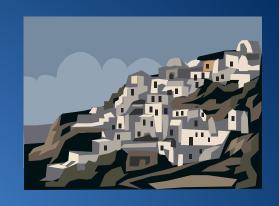


# Map of Ancient Rome: Can you find ROME?



## **Geography of Italy**



### Italy Geography Facts: ....

- Centrally located in the Mediterranean Sea
- Made up of the mainland, which is a peninsula and many islands
- Climate = mild, plenty of rainfall
- Very long coastline but few good harbors
- Many people say Italy is shaped like a boot!

### What Do You Think?!





# Physical Characteristics of Rome and Italy

- At the height of the Roman Empire, it covered parts of Europe,
   Asia and Africa
- Mountain ranges
  - Alps = separates Italy from the rest of Europe
  - Apennines = runs down center of Italy
- Although mountainous, land was less rugged than Greece and easier to travel
- Rivers = Tiber River, Arno River, Po River
- A few large, flat plains = land for farming
- Volcanoes in region = provided fertile soil, but also threatening
- Rome was built on 7 hills east of the Tiber River (Britannica.com)

### Adapting to Rome's Physical Features

#### **Ancient Romans adapted to their mountainous land by:**

- 1. Growing olives and grapes
- 2. Having small farms on terraced hillsides
- 3. Trading on the Mediterranean Sea.
- 4. The Romans were road, bridge, and aqueduct builders.
  Aqueducts were structures that carried fresh water from rivers to the communities and cities.



### What do you KNOW?!

Use your notes to take the "Basic Knowledge" quiz in Google Classroom (link is <u>here</u>)

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