

RECOMMENDED TEXTS FOR INDEPENDENT READING

3rd Grade Science and Social Studies

UNIT 1: ANCIENT ROME

Informational Texts to Build Content Knowledge

- *If I Were a Kid in Ancient Rome: Children of the Ancient World* by Cobblestone Publishing (NL)
- *Rome* by Christine Dugan (600L)
- *Race Through Rome* by Timothy Knapman (600L)
- *You Wouldn't Want to be a Roman Gladiator* by John Malam (IG870L)
- *What Was Pompeii?* by Jim O'Conner (940L)**
- *Ancient Rome* (DK Eyewitness Books) by Simon James (1070L)**

Fiction Texts with Connecting Topics and Themes

- *Pompeii -- Buried Alive!* by Edith Kunhardt (520L)
- *The Eagle of Rome* by Dan Metcalf (750L)
- *The Riotous Story of Rome* by Rosie Dickins (770L)
- *Roman Diary: The Journal of Iliona, A Young Slave* by Richard Platt (940L)**

* lower Lexile or qualitative measures than core text

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