

# DESIGN A MEME ON A CLASSICAL THEME



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# EVERY SINGLE ENTRY!



**GLADIATORS**

**POV: YOU ARE FIGHTING  
50 GLADIATORS**



**BUT IT GETS TOO OVERWHELMING  
AND YOU ENTER TRIPLE T RAGE MODE.**

**BY  
TEYMOUR**

**Ancient Romans:  
build roads, aqueducts and legal systems.**

**Also Romans: "what if we watched  
people fight to death for fun....."**

**BY AVELEEN  
& REECE**

A vintage computer monitor with a white bezel and a blue screen. The screen displays the text "GREEK HISTORY" in a bold, white, sans-serif font with a black outline. The monitor is mounted on a white base with a floppy disk drive and a power button. The background is a dark, textured surface.

# GREEK HISTORY



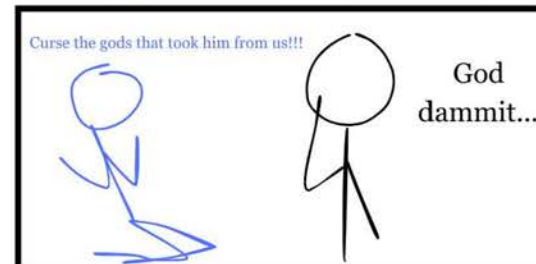
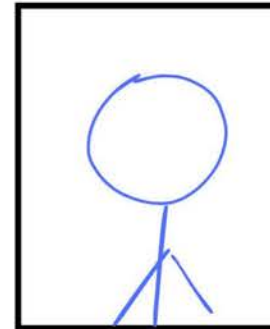
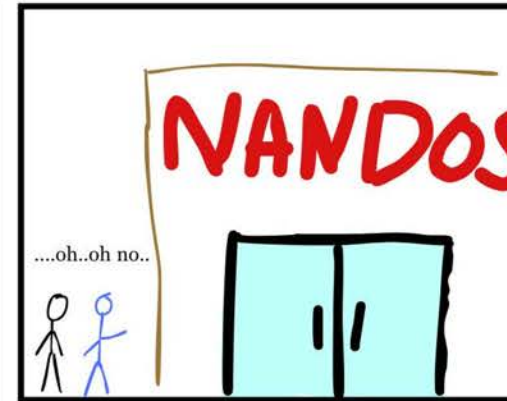
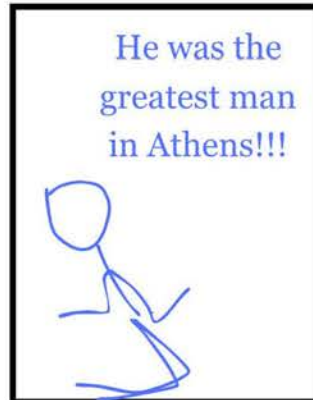
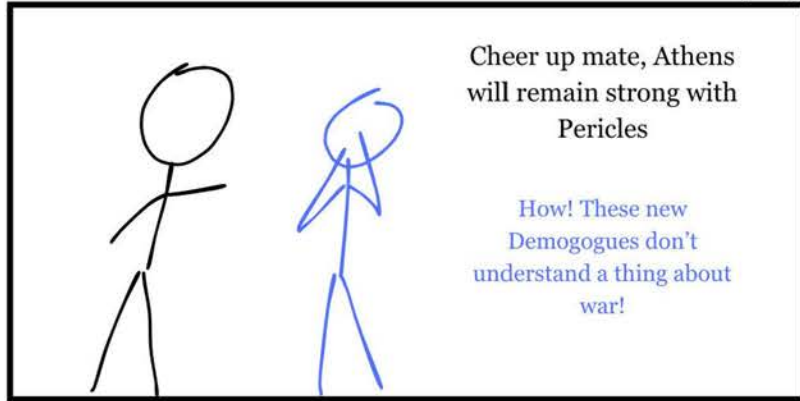
**HEPHAESTION**

**ALEXANDER  
THE GREAT ROXANA**

**BY  
MISTY**

# Thucydides misses Pericles.

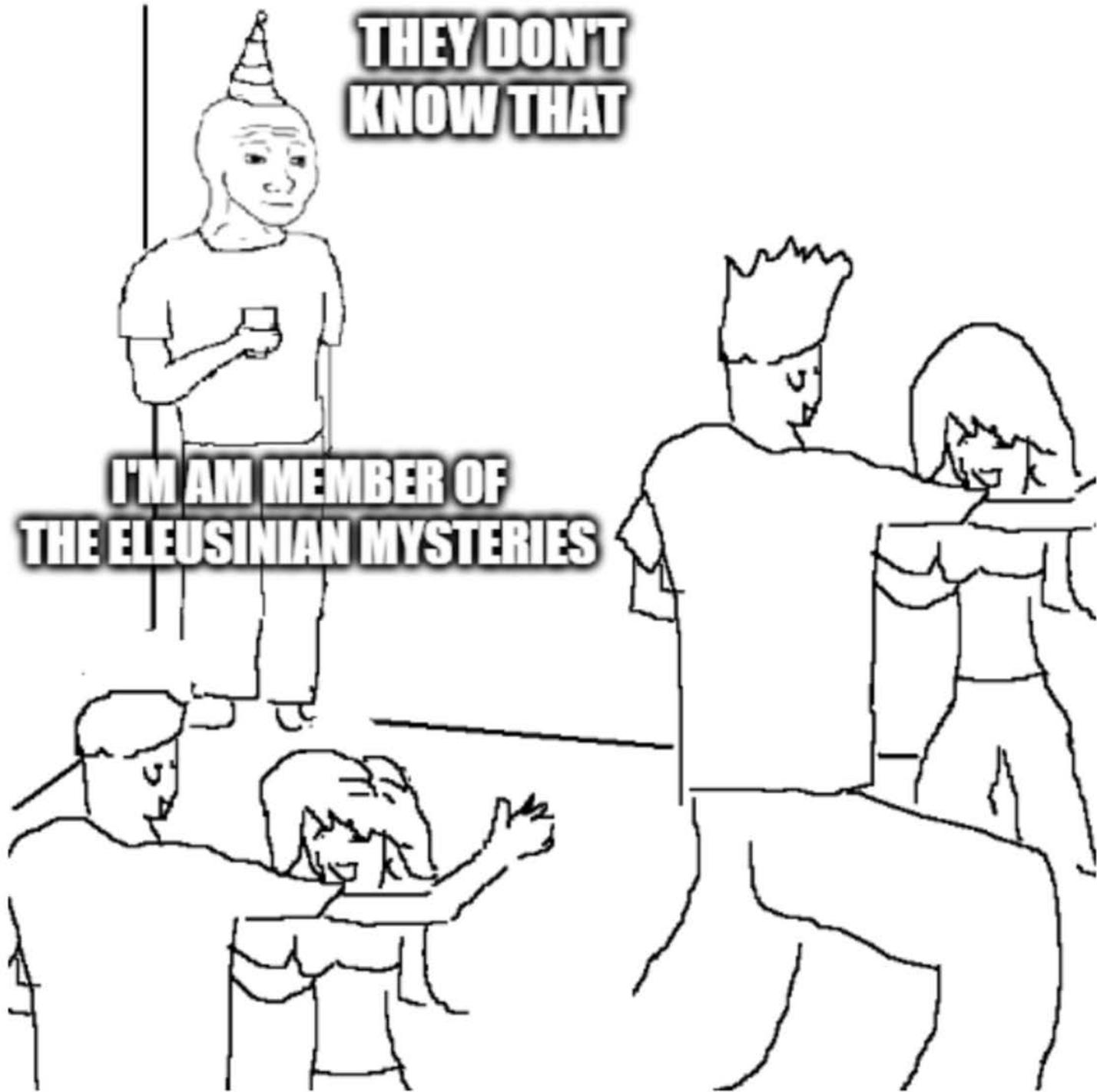
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BY  
AVA

**THEY DON'T  
KNOW THAT**

**I'M AM MEMBER OF  
THE ELEUSINIAN MYSTERIES**



**BY  
FINN**

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# GREEK MYTHS



Have a  
normal  
family



Kill your  
dad and  
sleep with  
your mum

**BY  
AMELIE**

BY  
ALICE

TFW



WHEN EURYLOCHUS ASKS  
HOW YOU LIKE YOUR STEAK

**she didn't read the terms and conditions**



**BY  
ANVESHHA**

Sisyphus be  
like :

Sisyphus at  
10am.



Sisyphus at  
5pm



when depression finally  
hits



**BY  
CHLOE**

When you're told not to do  
something



Whatever you do,  
don't open the box  
Pandora!

But do it anyway



Yeah,  
whatever....

BY  
DEIYEN



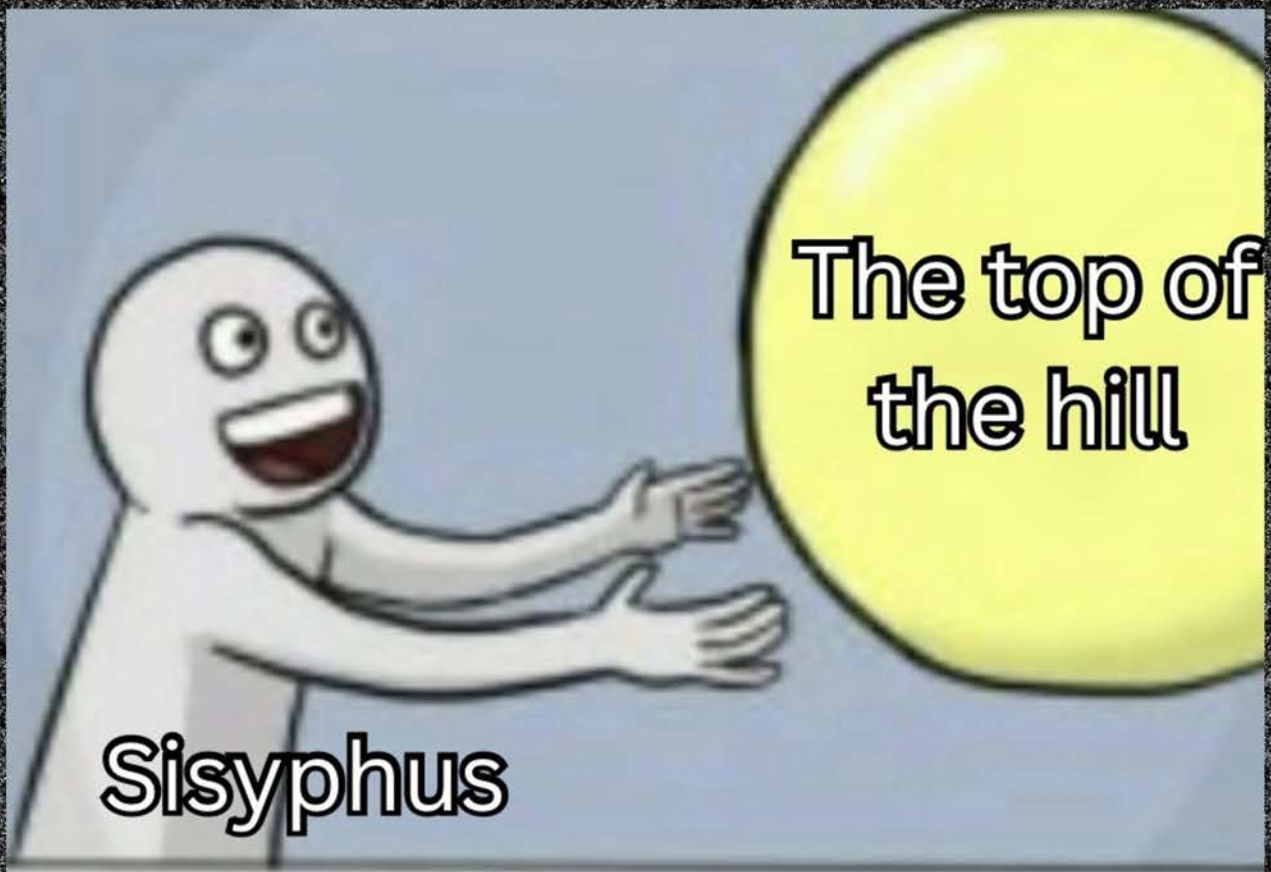
Medea  
@Med3aOfC0lchis

# Divorce Selfie!!



12:07 PM • 23/5/431BC • [Twitter for Wax Tablet](#)

BY  
EDEN &  
LUCY



BY  
GEORGE

A yellow sticky note with a torn edge, held in place by a yellow paperclip. The text 'BY GEORGE' is written in bold, black, uppercase letters on the note.



EVERY DAY IS A BAD HAIR DAY

BY  
HANNA

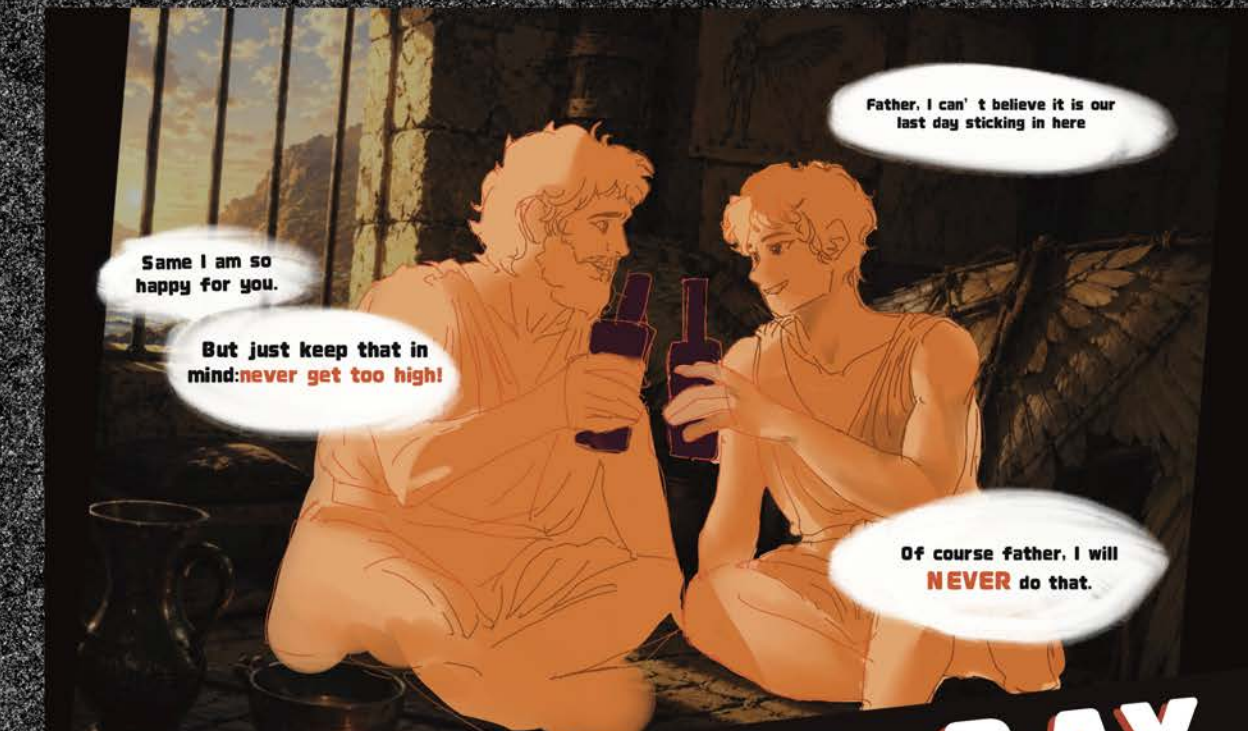
**Pov: Heracles after he saves Theseus from Hades' chair in the underworld.**

**Hurry up Theseus, get your butt out of here!**

**I'm trying!**



**BY  
HANNAH**



Same I am so happy for you.

But just keep that in mind: **never get too high!**

Father, I can't believe it is our last day sticking in here

Of course father, I will **NEVER** do that.

# THE NEXT DAY



**I am not high!!!**

Told you not not get too high---

**To be continued**

**BY  
HEBE**

# Androcles and the lion

after he was freed



**Oh Androclus, did you really survive 3 years in a cave with him?**

**I wonder how a runaway slave became the most famous influencer in the Roman Empire...**

**BY  
KRISHA**



**NUH UH I LOVE  
YOUU MORE**

**BY  
TARA**

A young man with short brown hair and a surprised expression is pointing to his chest. He is wearing a white t-shirt. The background is white.

**Tiresias getting blamed for  
literally everything**

A yellow sticky note is pinned to a dark, textured background. The text on the note is in bold, black, uppercase letters.

**BY  
THEO**

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# GREEK PHILOSOPHY

# ATHENS, 399 BC

Welcome back  
to the Dialectic  
Podcast.

## EPISODE OUTLINE

- Define everything
- Question everything
- Confuse everyone
- Repeat

⌚ 3+ HOURS

TODAY'S TOPIC:

WHAT IS  
JUSTICE?

(WE'LL GET THERE)



HOW MANY  
FOLLOW-UP  
QUESTIONS  
DO WE NEED?

PONDER  
FUEL

QUESTION.  
THINK.  
REPEAT.

WE WERE  
SUPPOSED TO  
DISCUSS VIRTUE  
AN HOUR AGO

IS THIS  
EVER GOING  
TO END?

bro asked one question and  
invented the 3-hour podcast

BY  
CHARLES

**Vir  
elegans  
sum**



**BY  
ALEX**

# HOL' UP

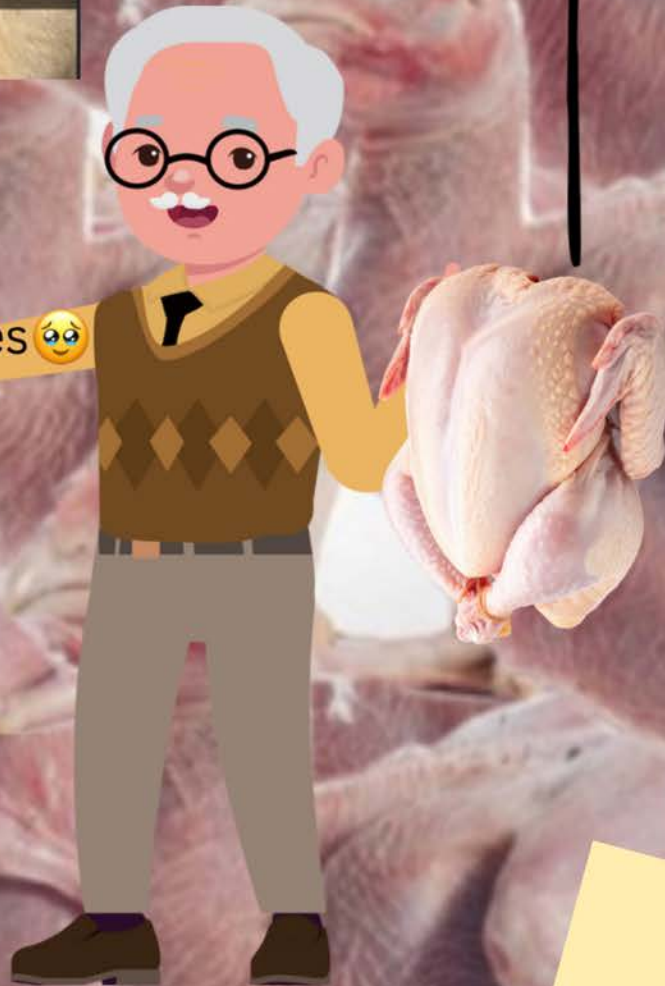
# LET HIM COOK



(Plato's  
definition of  
man)



Diogenes 🙄

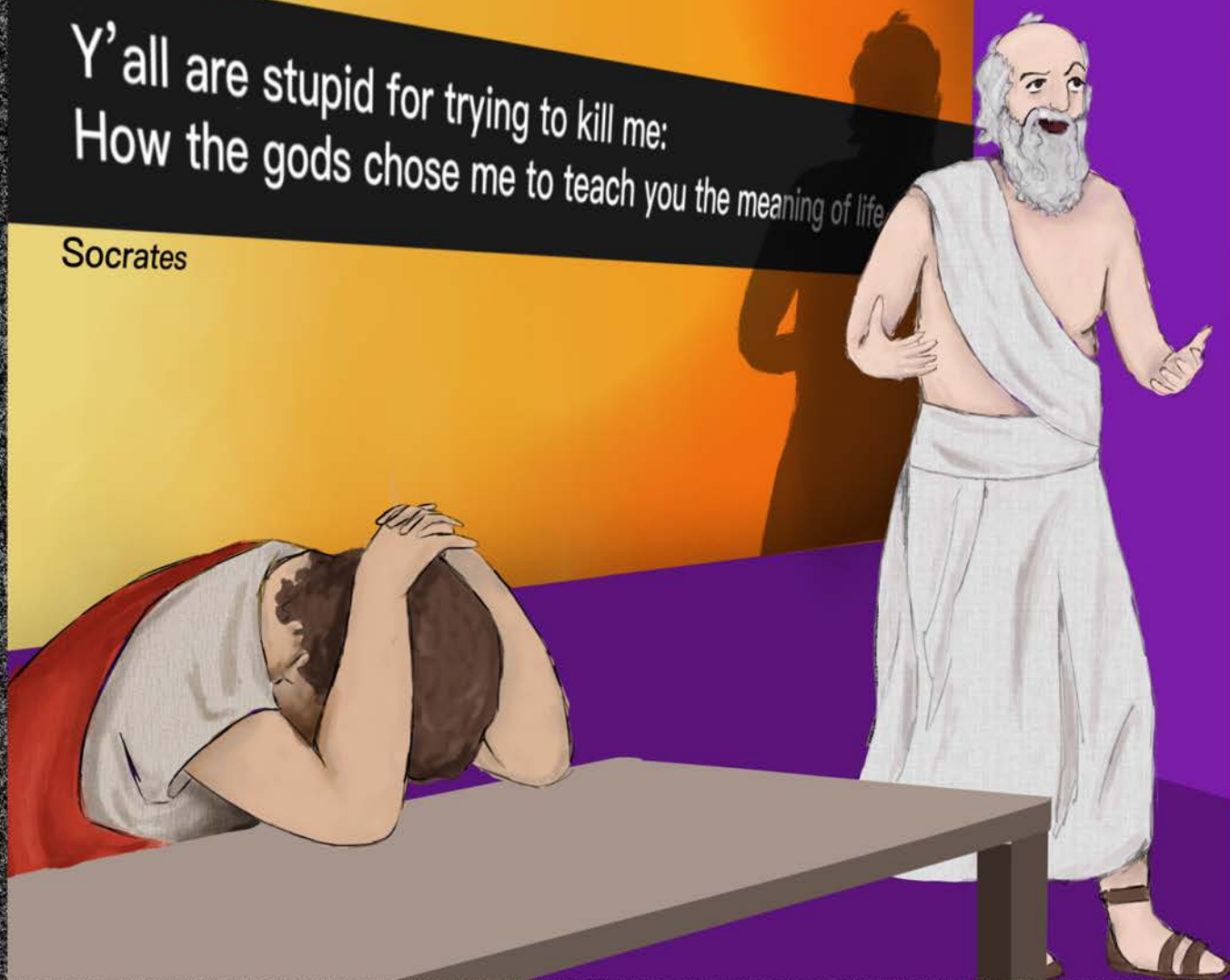


**BY  
DEETYA**

# Socrates giving his final speech before he dies

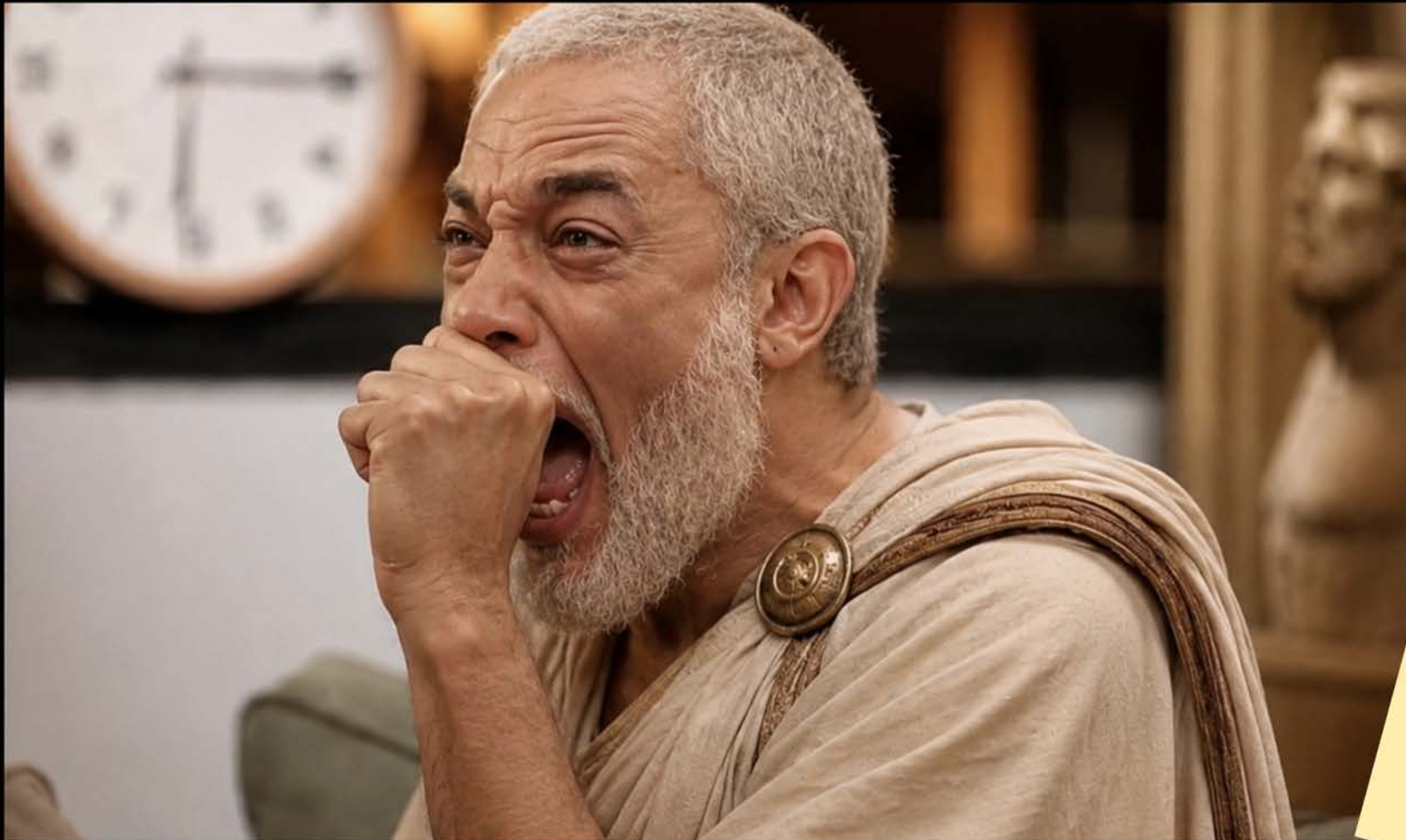
Y'all are stupid for trying to kill me:  
How the gods chose me to teach you the meaning of life

Socrates




BY  
ERVA

**Chrysippus after devoting his life to being stoic but then he sees a donkey and figs**



**BY  
KOKO**



**SOCRATES:  
I'LL START  
STUDYING  
TOMORROW**

**EPICTETUS:  
TOMORROW  
IS NOT YOURS;  
THE EXAM IS  
TOMORROW**

**BY  
THOMAS**



All that for  
this?

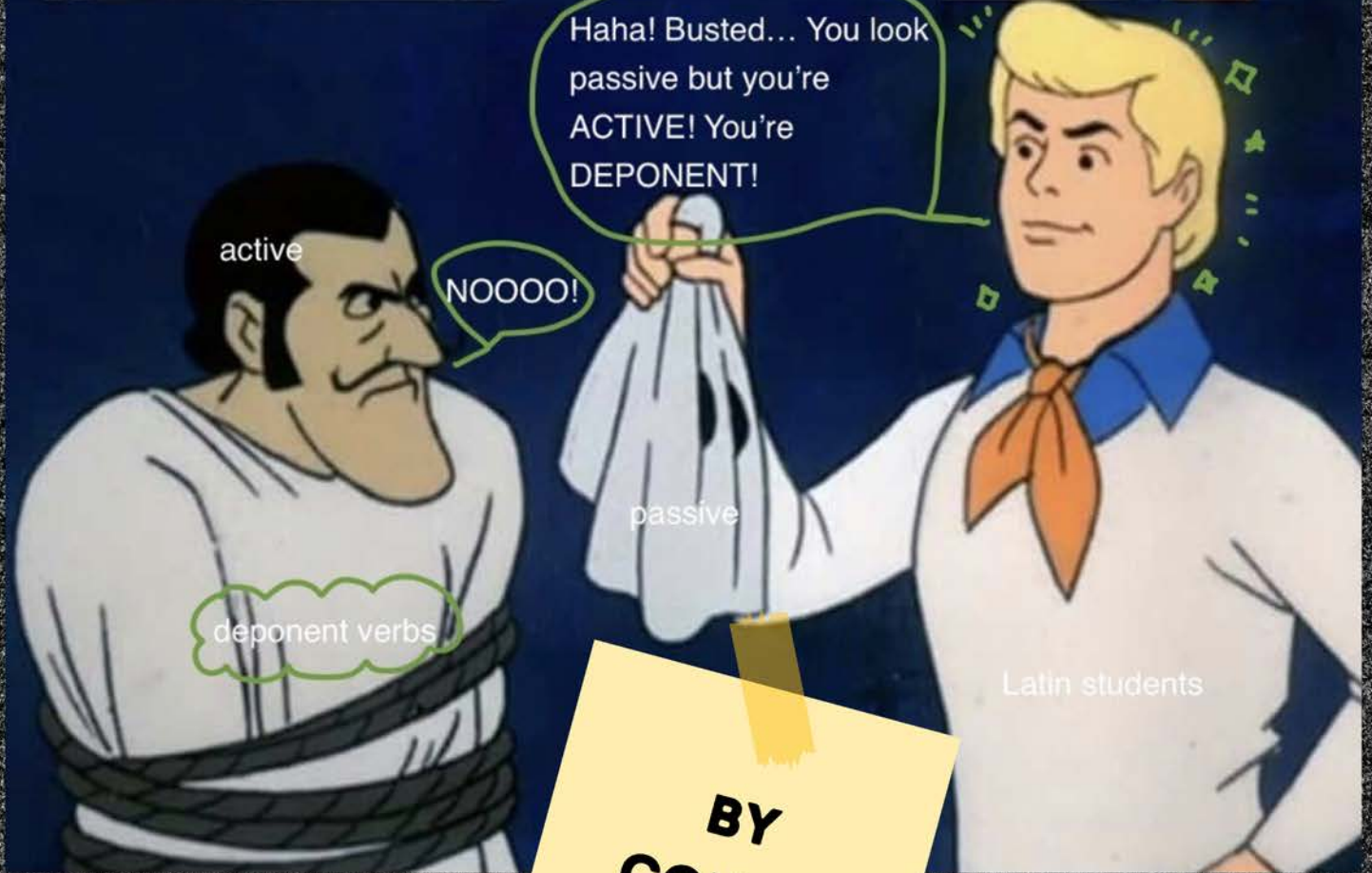


I want  
to go +  
back down...

BY  
MEDHA  
&  
AAHANA



**LATIN**



**BY  
CONNIE**



Teacher: It's just a  
small Latin  
assignment.

Me: Holding the  
Earth...!

**BY  
FINN**

me when I add "us" the the end of every word in a conversation



**BY  
HENRY**



**COGNIBUGNUS  
AND QUINTUS**

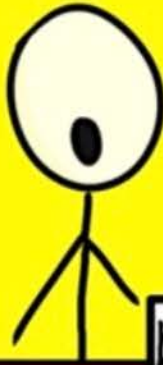


**CAECILLIUS EST  
IN HORTO**

**BY  
JOSEPH**

New grammar concept

**≡ DATIVE ≡**



Learning new grammar concept

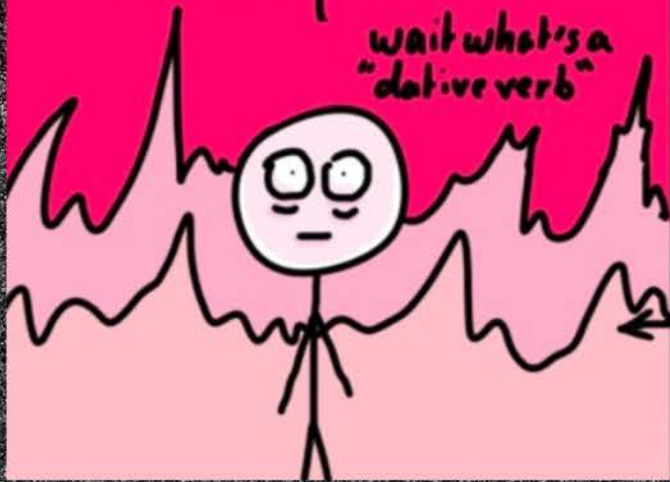
LEONIBUS  
AMICIS  
PUELLAE  
DOMINO  
FILIO



POV: Learning Latin

Exceptions

wait what's a "dative verb"



Thinking you mastered the new grammar concept

IMPERATORI FELES CRUSTULUS  
ET ANATIBUS PHILOSOPHANTIBUS  
PLACET, QUIBUS DRACONIBUS  
BIBLIOTHECARIO SEMPER VIDETUR  
INVIDERE. PHILOSOPHO  
EBRIO OCTO POLYPI  
SALTANTI IN THERMIS CUM  
ANSERIBUS PURPUREIS ET  
CASEO VOLANTI VALDE PLACENT.



BY  
MISNA

Caecilius in horto non est :

Literally anyone:

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8A:

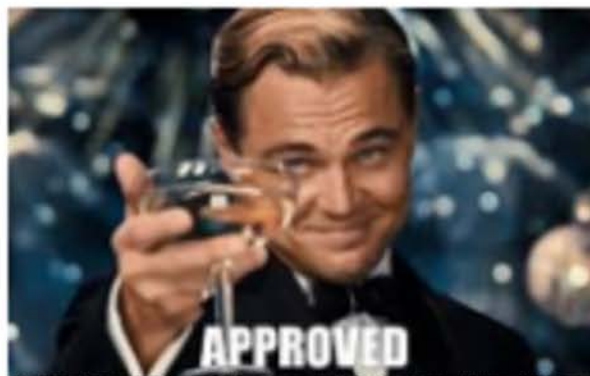


Caecilius est in horto:

Literally anyone:

ㄟ\_(ツ)\_ㄟ

8A:



BY  
OVIE



Italian is  
the best



ohhhhhhhhhh  
snapppp

Then so is  
latin it were  
italian came  
from



BY  
PEGGY &  
ARTEMIS



Tibullus be like

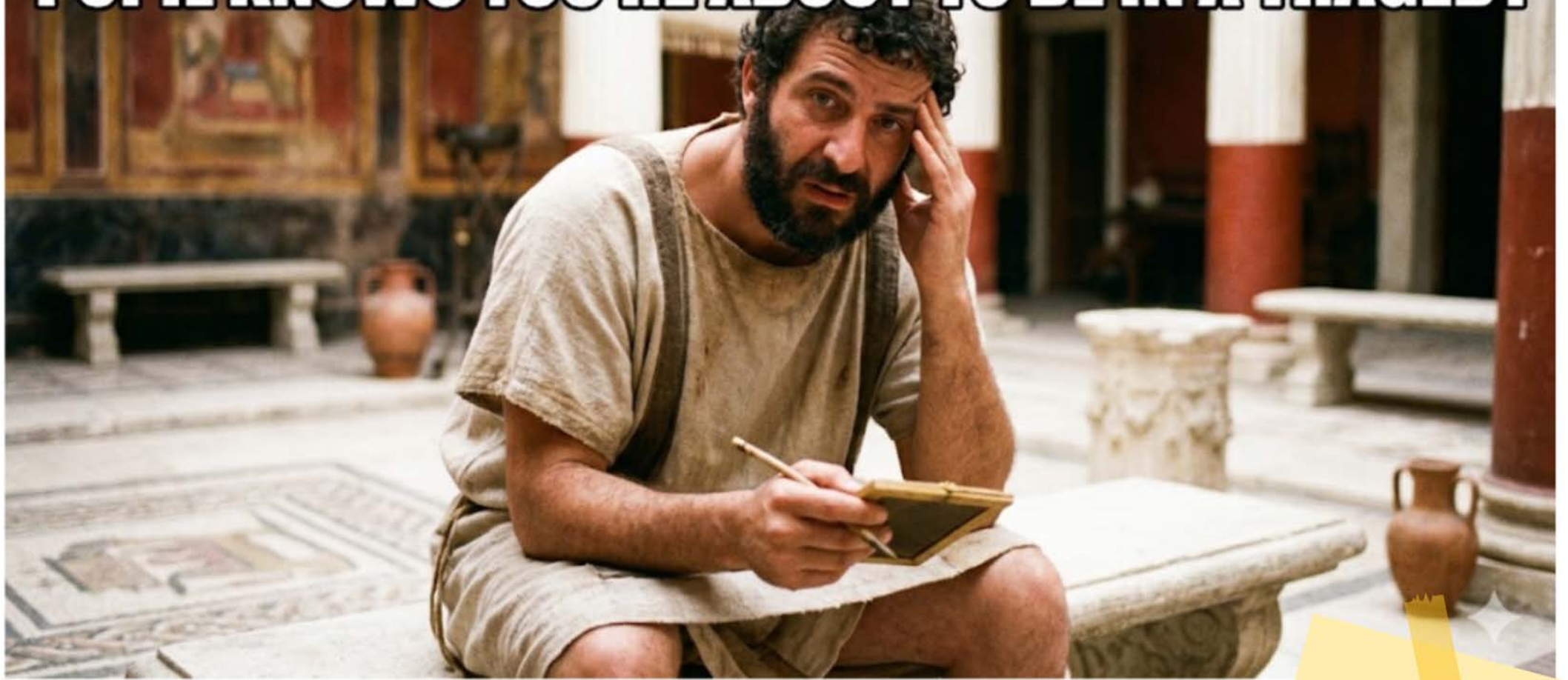
BY  
RACHEL



**me after finishing Latin**

**BY  
REGINALD**

**WHEN YOU'RE JUST CAECILIUS, BUT EVERY LATIN PUPIL KNOWS YOU'RE ABOUT TO BE IN A TRAGEDY**



**BY  
SHIVENDU**

10 Seconds  
Later

latin:re

french:er



yeah sure just  
dont make it  
obvious

yo can i  
copy your  
homework?

thanks so  
much!



BY  
ZITIAN

A vintage computer monitor with a beige casing and three ventilation grilles at the top. The screen displays the text "ROMAN HISTORY AND EMPERORS" in a bold, white, sans-serif font with a black outline, centered on a solid blue background. The monitor is mounted on a base with a floppy disk drive and a speaker on the front panel.

**ROMAN HISTORY  
AND  
EMPERORS**

# ROME: BUILT BY EVERYONE

## THE SYSTEM:

- ✓ Land? Owned by the rich
- ✓ Politics? Run by the rich
- ✓ Justice? For the rich
- ✓ Taxes? Paid by the poor
- ✓ Power? Kept by the rich

**ENJOYED BY THE FEW.**

**THE PRICE OF EMPIRE?**

LONG HOURS.  
LOW WAGES.  
NO VOICE.  
NO CHOICE.

BORN POOR.  
DIE POOR.  
THAT'S ROME.

**THE POOR BUILT IT.  
THE RICH PROFITED FROM IT.**

BY  
**ABISHKAR**

# ***IF THE ROMANS HAD***

# **MARVEL**



**DOCTOR  
OCTAVIAN**



**Mark  
AnTony  
Stark**

**VS**

**BY  
ADAM**

The crowd after Nero brings 10 horses to the 4 horse chariot race



**BY  
BEN**

**MY HISTORIAN FRIEND: I LOVE  
NERO SO MUCH**



**ME: OMG SAME**



**BY  
CHARLOTTE**

# NERO'S PARTY



**"CHRISTIANS ARE LIT!"**

**"YOU MEAN THEY'RE COOL, RIGHT?"**

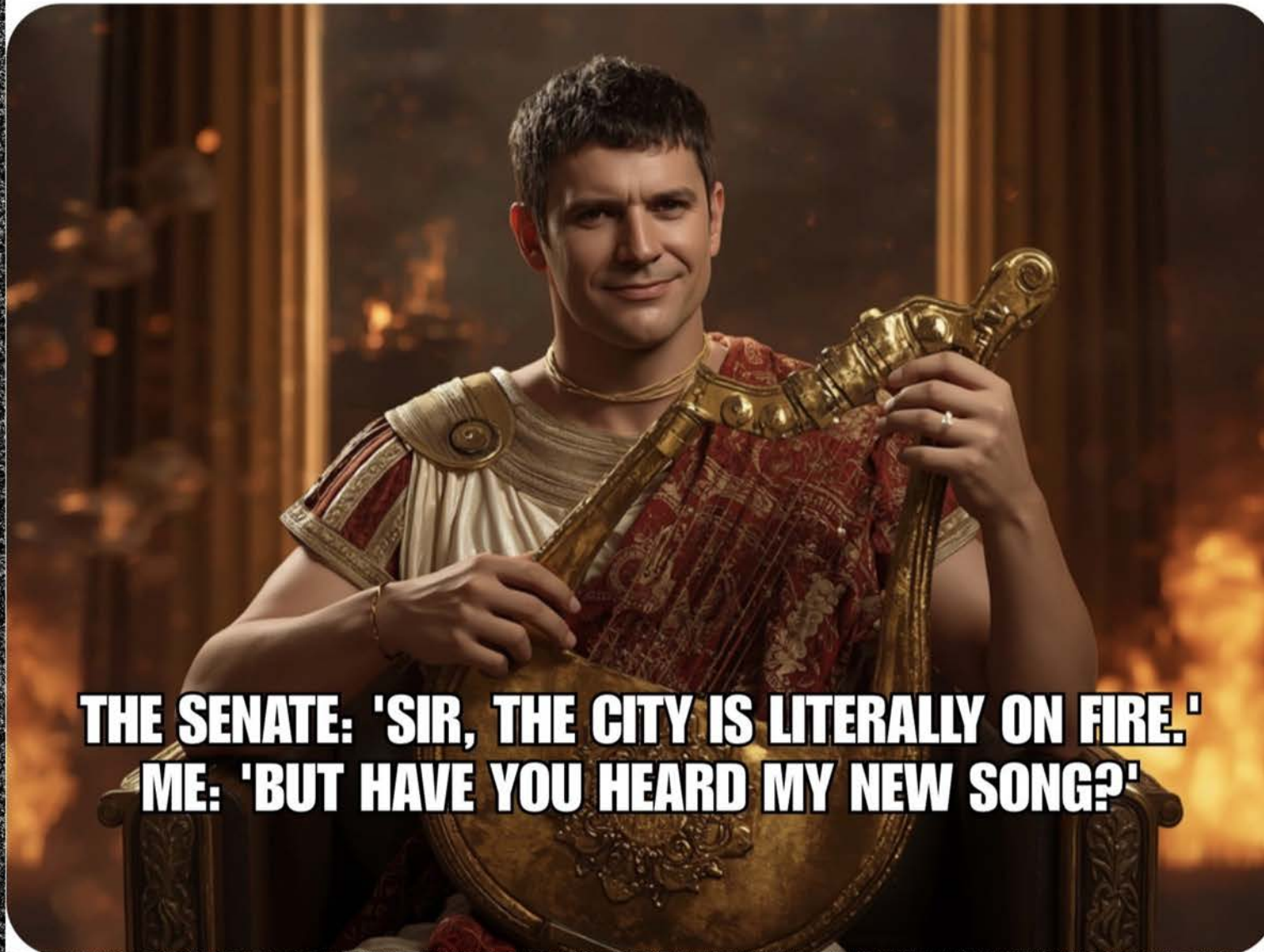


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**"YOU MEAN THEY'RE COOL... RIGHT?"**

**BY  
DYLAN  
&  
JAMES**

**Me: playing the lyre while Rome burns**



**THE SENATE: 'SIR, THE CITY IS LITERALLY ON FIRE.'**  
**ME: 'BUT HAVE YOU HEARD MY NEW SONG?'**

**BY  
EDUARD**

What is he going to do, march elephants up a one-degree wall of snow?

POV: Its 218 BCE



## Meanwhile: **Hanniball**

General, we aren't actually climbing that. Right?

Exactly because it's impossible, the Romans won't be looking! It's the ultimate sneak attack!



How..... he had 37 elephants

"He actually did it. The crazy son of a Carthage actually did it.



**BY  
FUAD**

**BRUTE, TUNE IN AMICO ESSE CREDIDI...**



**ET TU: "HAHA, GLADIUM IN PECTORE!"  
VALE, CAESAR!"**

**BY  
JACOB**



**BY  
KAIDEN**



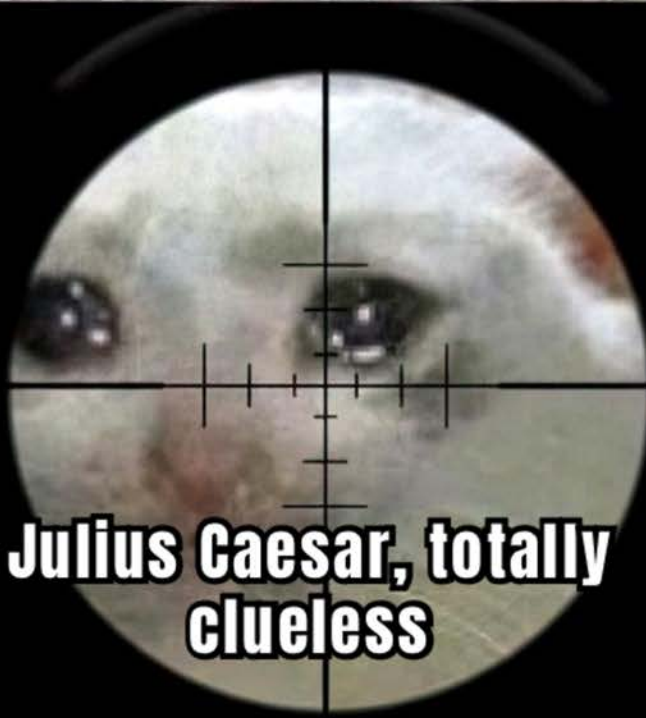
How Cicero felt when he announced to the jury during the trial of Sextus Roscius, that Capito was in the delegation sent to Sulla

BY  
KARINA

**Backstabbing Cat (aka Brutikins)**



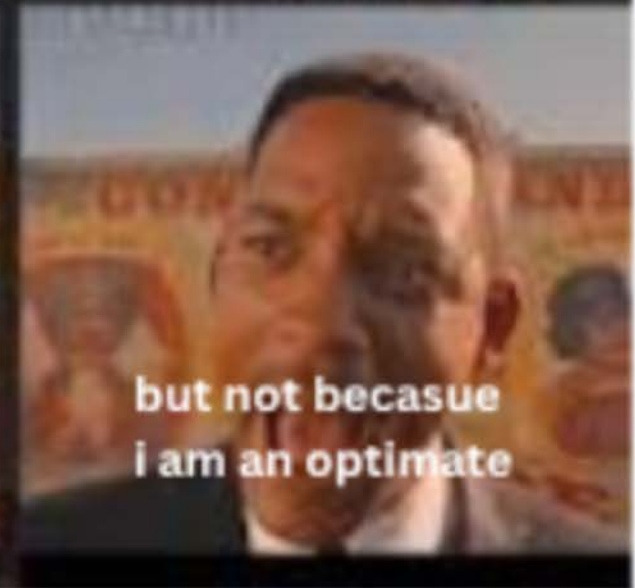
**Julius Caesar, totally clueless**



Supermeme.ai

**BY  
LEON**

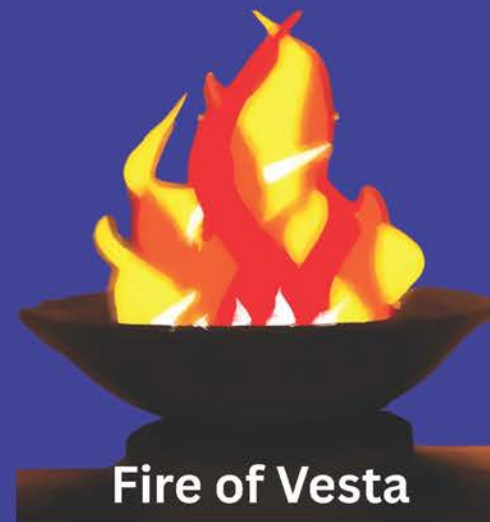
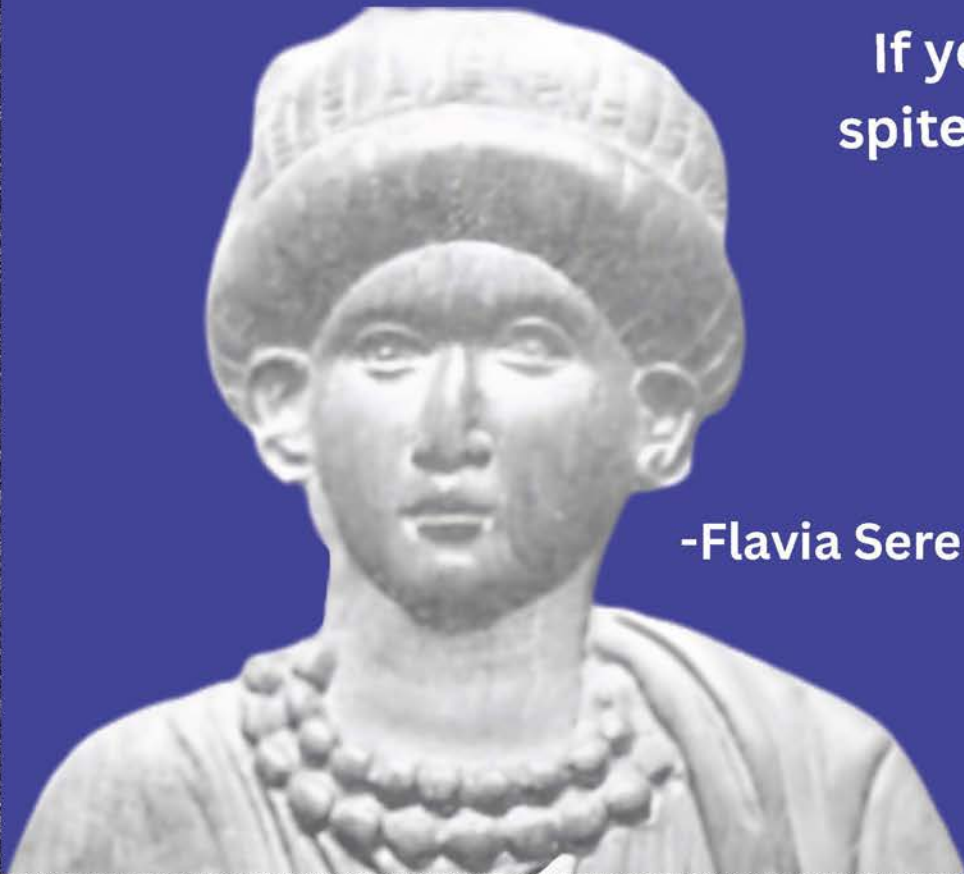
cicero' explaining his poltical position



BY  
MARCUS

Unfaithful servant, you  
don't have to say you're  
sorry,  
If you done it just for the  
spite, or did ya do it just for  
the glory?

-Flavia Serena



Fire of Vesta

BY  
SCARLETT

Trading with the  
Carthaginians is  
like putting the man  
before the horse!

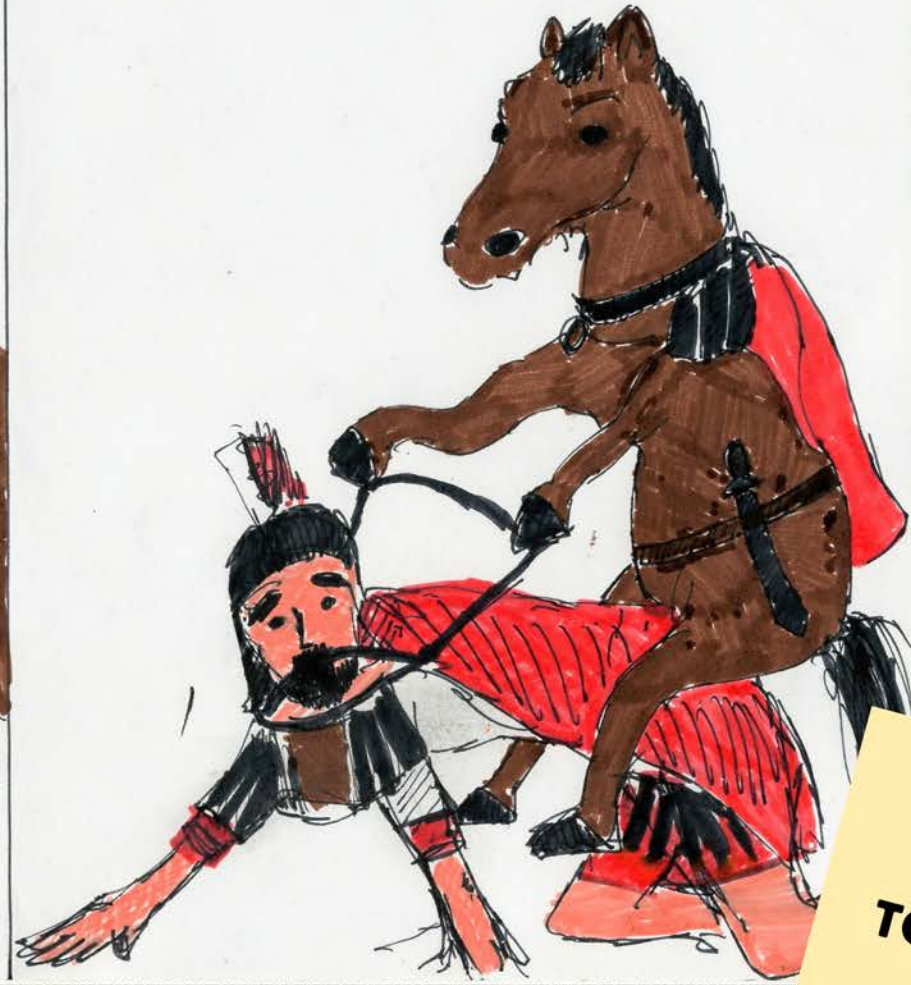


**BY  
SEB**

SENATOR  
UNDER TIBERIUS



SENATOR  
UNDER CALIGULA



BY  
TOSHIRO

BY  
SEBASTIAN

# Bi-UMVIRATE



When Lepidus left the triumvirate...

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# THE AENEID

# Aeneas during the burning of Troy:



Leaving  
to found Rome



Dying a  
heroic death

**BY  
ALYX  
&  
ALEX**

# Juno when she sees the Trojans



**BY  
EMILY**

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# THE GODS

# POV: you are a sailor and Poseidon is bored



**BY  
ASEES**

Pov: You're apollo kidnapping  
Another priest for your collection



BY  
DARCY  
&  
MOKSHA

I'm not forfeiting uncle, I'm just...

Poseidon, the  
uncle

Apollo, the  
nephew

*choosing the  
safer  
option*

BY  
ELSIE  
&  
AMBER

# The Oracle

## Warning Zeus

**ZEUS**  
your wife  
is dead!



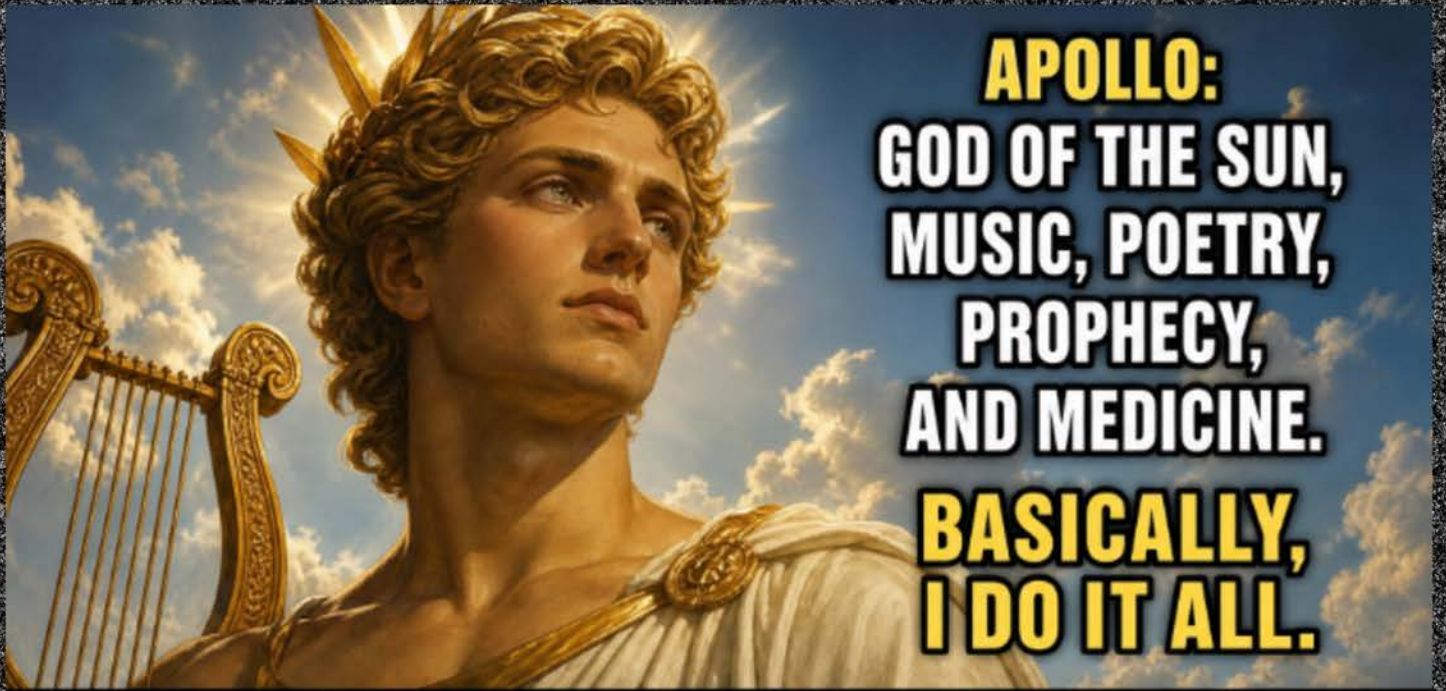
**ZEUS** you  
can no  
longer sleep  
with any  
women



**BY**  
**LUKE**



**BY  
MARNIE**



**APOLLO:**  
**GOD OF THE SUN,  
MUSIC, POETRY,  
PROPHECY,  
AND MEDICINE.**  
**BASICALLY,  
I DO IT ALL.**



**ATLAS:**  
**HOLDING UP THE  
ENTIRE SKY FOR  
ETERNITY**


**...CAN I GET A  
THANK YOU?**

NOT EVEN  
A "GOOD JOB,  
BRO"?



**MORAL OF THE MYTH: APPRECIATE YOUR ATLAS.**

**BY  
NAOMI**

A vintage computer monitor with a white bezel and a blue screen. The screen displays the title "THE ODYSSEY" in large, white, bold, sans-serif capital letters with a black outline. The monitor is mounted on a white base with a floppy disk drive and a power button. The background is a dark, textured surface.

# THE ODYSSEY

**ODYSSEUS AFTER THINKING  
POLYPHEMUS WOULD DO XENIA**



**BY  
CRAIG**

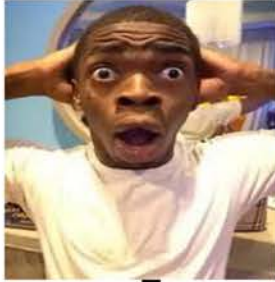
memecreator

**When someone just uses you  
to escape from a bloodthirsty  
cyclops**



**BY  
EVIE**

laughing suitors who can't wait to have a go at Odysseus.



Odysseus, the beggar scared for his dear life...



the three-legged stool wondering what it did to deserve this.

Antinous when he rage quits

BY PEARL

**POV: you after your mom  
told you to wait for two  
seconds at the checkout line  
while she disappears**

**(Penelope Waiting for Odysseus for 20 Years)**



**BY  
SISSI**

**Nobody:**

**Polyphemus asking his cyclopes friends for help:**




**AIII THAT LITTLE £&@!#  
JUST STABBED ME!!!**



**'Nobody, my friends, is  
trying to kill me by  
violence or treachery.'**

**BY  
SHIRLEY**

A vintage computer monitor with a white bezel and a blue screen. The screen displays the text "THE TROJAN WAR" in a bold, white, sans-serif font with a black outline. The monitor is mounted on a white base with a floppy disk drive and a speaker. The background is a dark, textured surface.

# THE TROJAN WAR

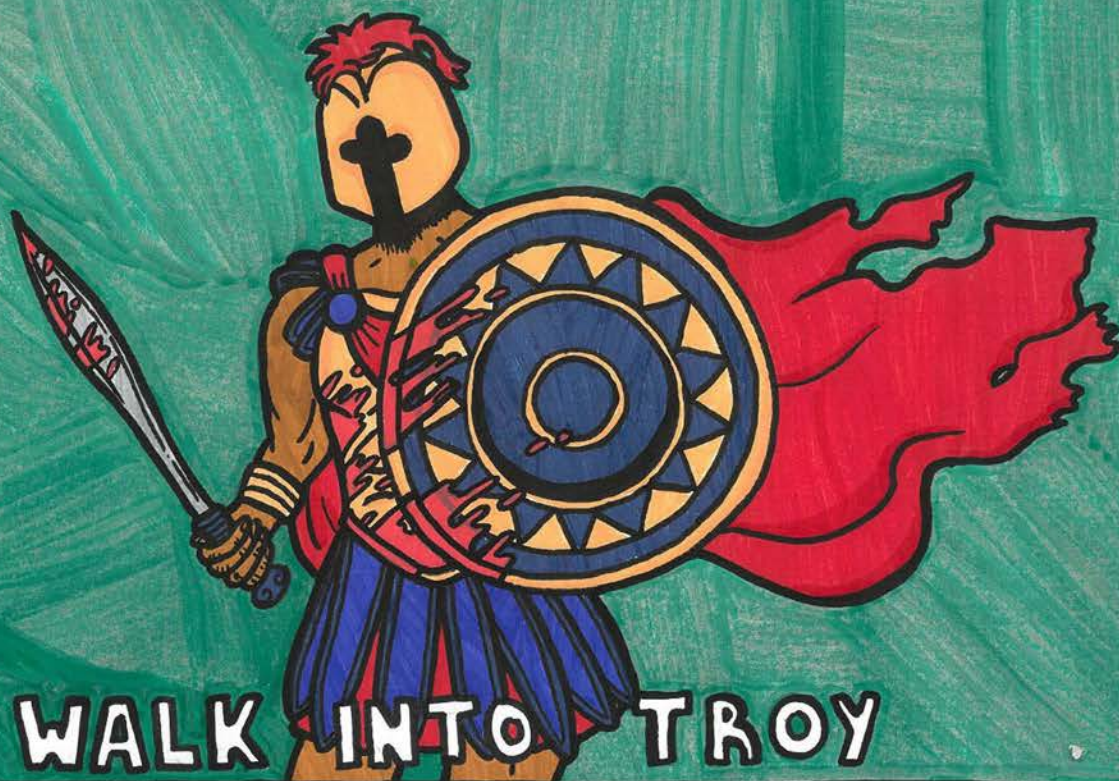
**Should've got that physiotherapy.**



**It was even on sale.**

**BY  
AYAAT &  
PIPPA**

ONE DOES NOT SIMPLY



WALK INTO TROY



BY  
BEATRIX



**patroclus about  
to get murdered**

**APOLLO**

**BY  
ELINOR**



**BY  
IVY**

# CASSANDRA OF TROY:



Me warning everyone the group project is doomed

**My classmates: Stop being dramatic**



The teacher  
five minutes  
later

**BY  
JAY**

A muscular man with a red loincloth is leaning over the side of a large, ornate wooden chariot. The chariot is being pulled by a large brown horse. The scene is set outdoors with a blue sky and green hills in the background. The man's expression is one of intense focus or determination.

**"At this rate...**

**...Helen should be mine!"**

**BY  
MINNE &  
DOROTHY**



# GEN ALPHA ZEUS IN BOOK 8

BY  
OSCAR

A vintage computer monitor with a beige casing and three ventilation grilles at the top. The screen is filled with a solid blue color, and the word "MISCELLANEOUS" is written across it in large, bold, white, sans-serif capital letters with a black outline. The monitor is mounted on a base that includes a floppy disk drive and a power button on the front panel.


**MISCELLANEOUS**

POV You are Dionysus...

# BIG BROTHERS ARE WATCHING YOU



LAAAAA



I just want my Euripides!

BY  
ANTONY

**BY  
WILL**

**ROMANS**

**COPYING THE ANCIENT  
GREEKS THEN CALLING  
THEM LAZY**

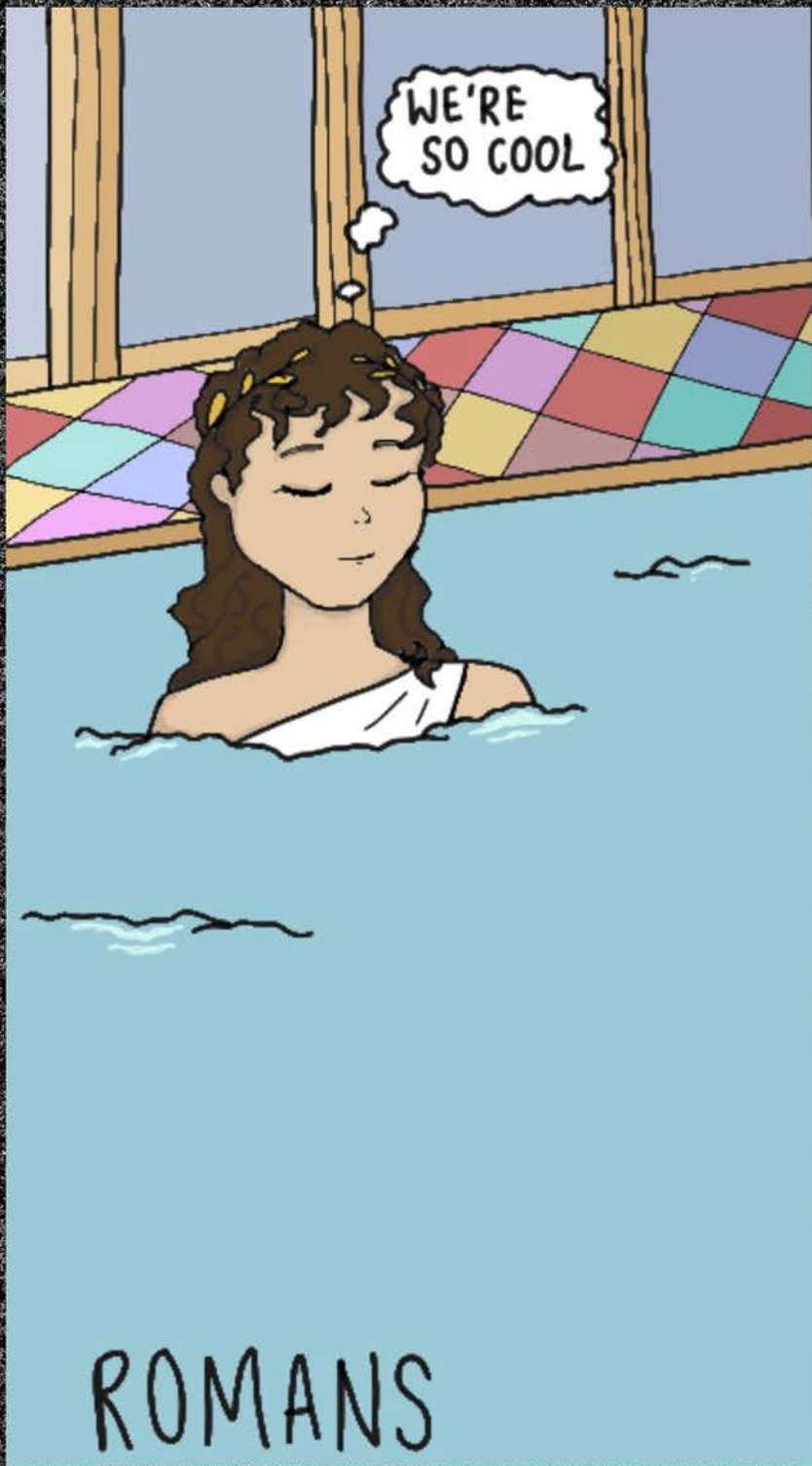
**BEING ORIGINAL**



BY  
ADAM



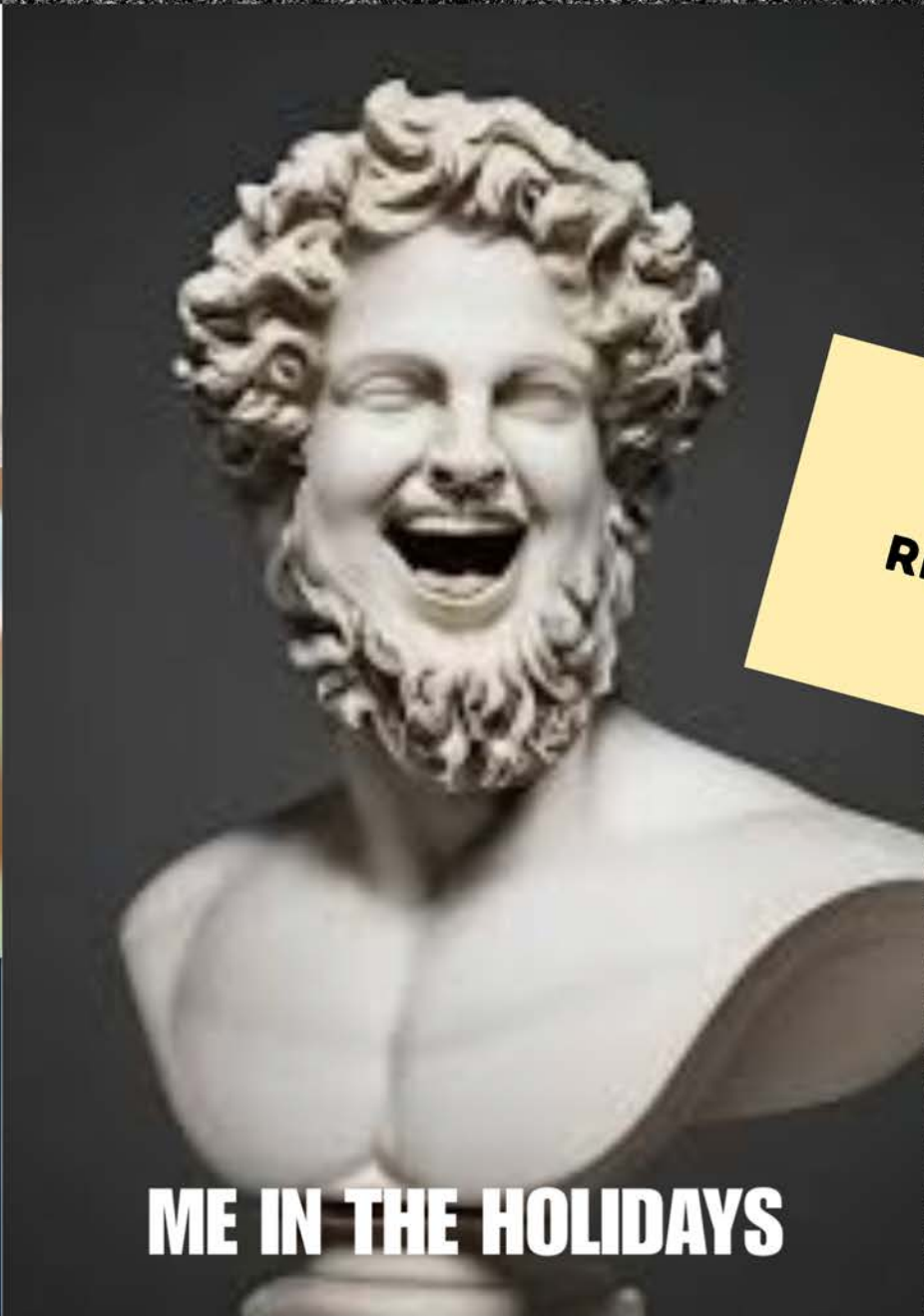
**WHEN YOU FIND OUT GREEK  
STATUES WERE ACTUALLY PAINTED**



BY  
LAVINIA



**ME AT SCHOOL**



**BY  
REZA**

**ME IN THE HOLIDAYS**