



Shared Reading  
week beginning 1<sup>st</sup>  
March 2021 –  
Roman Diary  
The Journal of Iliona

# 1.3.21 Can I retrieve answers from a text?

## Pages 29-34

- *Why did Cytheris tell Iliana to stop emptying the chamber pots?*
- *Who woke everybody up in the house?*
- *Who is Cratinus?*
- *Why did Cratinus lose his temper?*
- *Why was everyone so excited? What did they go to see?*

## 2.3.21 Can I use my inference skills?

### Page 35-40

- Can you describe the triumph procession in detail?
- Why did Iliona think part of the procession was a sad sight?
- What message is the author trying to come across with the sentence on page 39, 'The room fell silent'? Why did this happen?
- Why do you think Iliona 'fled the chamber'?

## 3.3.21 Can I explore vocabulary? Page 40-45

Please explain what an aqueduct is and what is it used for?

Page 43- What does the wealthy man mean by saying 'my fountain is silent'?

What does it mean to 'grovel' to someone? (page 43)

What is an omen?

Go to the glossary to find out what a raedae is and write down an explanation.

## 4.3.21 Can I make predictions? Page 46-50

- Before reading the pages above, have a think about the following question:
- Do you think Iliana is going to be able to meet and see Apollo her brother?
- What do you think might happen to Apollo?
- Do you think Iliana will ever see her brother again?  
Why/Why not?

## 5.3.21 Can I summarise key events? Pages 50-54

- From Day XXVI to Day XV of the month of Augustus- summarise what happens in each paragraph.
- From each paragraph, write a few sentences recapping the main events. Write in third person, e.g. Iliona befriended a dog. She was very....