



JULIUS CAESAR ANTICIPATION GUIDE

Read each statement and decide if it is True or False. Complete the left column before the reading by circling the T for True or the F for False. Complete the right column after you finish the reading. Did any of your answers change?

BEFORE READING		STATEMENT	AFTER READING	
T	F	Caesar used to be Caesar's best friend.	T	F
T	F	Calpurnia was the Queen of Rome.	T	F
T	F	Caesar died on March 15th.	T	F
T	F	The Julian calendar included 365 days and a leap year.	T	F
T	F	Caesar was a terrible public speaker.	T	F
T	F	Caesar was never the ruler of Rome.	T	F
T	F	His full name was Gaius Julius Caesar.	T	F
T	F	Caesar was the first man to be awarded divine status.	T	F
T	F	It is proven that Brutus loved Caesar's son.	T	F

DID YOU KNOW?

In 75 B.C. Caesar was kidnapped and held for ransom by pirates for 40 days.

Julius Caesar

Name: _____

Answer the questions below. Then on the coloring page, color each numbered section with the corresponding color. If there is any space left over, color it your choice! Follow the directions provided to cite evidence from the reading.

Questions	Text Evidence	Answer
#1 In what country was Julius Caesar born?	Find proof in the reading and <u>UNDERLINE</u> it in PURPLE	Germany B
#2 Who did Caesar marry when he was 17?	Find proof in the reading and <u>CIRCLE</u> it in GREEN	Cleopatra BLUE STRIPES
#3 How old was Caesar when he was elected to consul?	Find proof in the reading and <u>BOX</u> it in RED	17 ORANGE
#4 What was the name of the political party that Caesar's soldiers joined?	Find proof in the reading and <u>BOX</u> it in YELLOW	Cassius ORANGE
#5 What was the name of the political party that Caesar's soldiers joined?	Find proof in the reading and <u>CIRCLE</u> it in ORANGE	Jack of Hearts BROWN
#6 What month is named after Julius Caesar?	Find proof in the reading and <u>UNDERLINE</u> it in PURPLE	July GREEN STRIPES

JULIUS CAESAR

Julius Caesar was a famous Roman leader. He was born in July 100 BC in Rome. He was born into an aristocratic family. Aristocracy is a social class that society considers its highest order or the upper class. His full name was Julius Caesar. His father, Gaius Julius Caesar, governed the province of Gaul.

Over the course of his life, Julius held many important titles such as consul, tribune of the people, high priest and high commander of the army.

Caesar was taught to read and write around the age of six. He also learned about grammar and public speaking skills. At sixteen years old, Caesar became the head of the family when his father died. He was nominated as the new High Priest of Jupiter, believing that priesthood would be best for his family. He married Cornelia at age 17. She was the daughter of a powerful politician in Rome.

When Sulla came into power of the Roman government, he ordered Caesar to divorce Cornelia because her family was an enemy of Sulla. Caesar refused and was targeted as an enemy. His citizenship and priesthood were taken away and he was forced to flee Rome. Julius was eventually pardoned and returned to Rome when Sulla died.

Caesar quickly moved up the ranks in the Roman government. He was elected to consul when he was forty years old. Consul was the highest ranking political position of the Roman Republic. After a one year term as consul, Caesar became the governor of Gaul.

Caesar struck a deal with two of Rome's leading figures, Pompey the Great and the wealthy Crassus. The three men formed a political alliance that dominated Roman politics for several years.

In Rome, many of the leaders became jealous of Caesar. Caesar made a lot of positive changes through public speaking and the people loved him. Pompey became jealous and the two later became enemies. Caesar had support from his people but Pompey had the support from the Senate.

The Senate told Caesar that if he wanted to be a senator, by law he would have to give up command of his army. The Roman Senate accused Caesar as a traitor when he refused to give up his army. Caesar began to make