

Project:

The Roman Republic

Manage a Campaign for a Political Candidate!

Objectives

- To learn about a politician from the Roman Republic.
- To understand Roman elections and their influences on modern elections.
- To learn and practice our skills of presentation and persuasion.

Procedures

1. Divide into groups of three.

2. Choose a politician from the Roman Republic from the following list:

Marcus Tullius Cicero
Gaius Julius Caesar
Marcus Licinius Crassus
Tiberius Gracchus
Gaius Gracchus
Gaius Marius
Sulla
Gnaeus Pompey
Marc Antony
Marcus Lepidus
Marcus Junius Brutus
Marcus Porcius Cato

3. Research your political figure in books and on the internet. Some good resources can be accessed through my Latin I-B website.

4. As a group you will create three items to help market your candidate to the "Roman" world: a bumper sticker, a poster, and a brief PowerPoint presentation. Each group member will be responsible for a certain task.

Requirements

The bumper sticker should be neat, colorful, and in the general shape of a bumper sticker. It should be at least that large but could be oversized if you wish. It does not have to be adhesive (sticky). The bumper sticker must include the following about the political figure...

- name
- slogan in Latin (a slogan that represents your candidate well)
- picture of the candidate or something that represents the candidate

The poster must be neat and colorful. It should be the size of a sheet of posterboard so that it, and the materials on it, are easily visible. The poster must include the following about the political figure...

- name
- at least one image
- his position on various important issues of the day; what issues are important to him?
- his record - what has he done for the people and for Rome?

The PowerPoint should be 4 or 5 slides in length. It must include the following about the political figure...

- name
- at least one image
- background information about the figure - birth, education, family, etc.
- awards and honors

Use these and other modern campaign websites to help you get ideas for what kind of information to include and how to structure your own website:

<http://www.johnkerry.com>

<http://www.pipkinforsenate.com/>

Due Dates

The project must be complete by _____. At this time, students will present their materials and their candidate to the class.

Grading

Projects will be graded on the following criteria: inclusion and accuracy of required information and images, creativity and neatness of the materials.