

Do Now: Previewing Ancient Rome

- Complete the first two columns of a KWL chart for Rome
- What do you KNOW?
- What do you WANT to know?



Early Humans



Mesopotamia



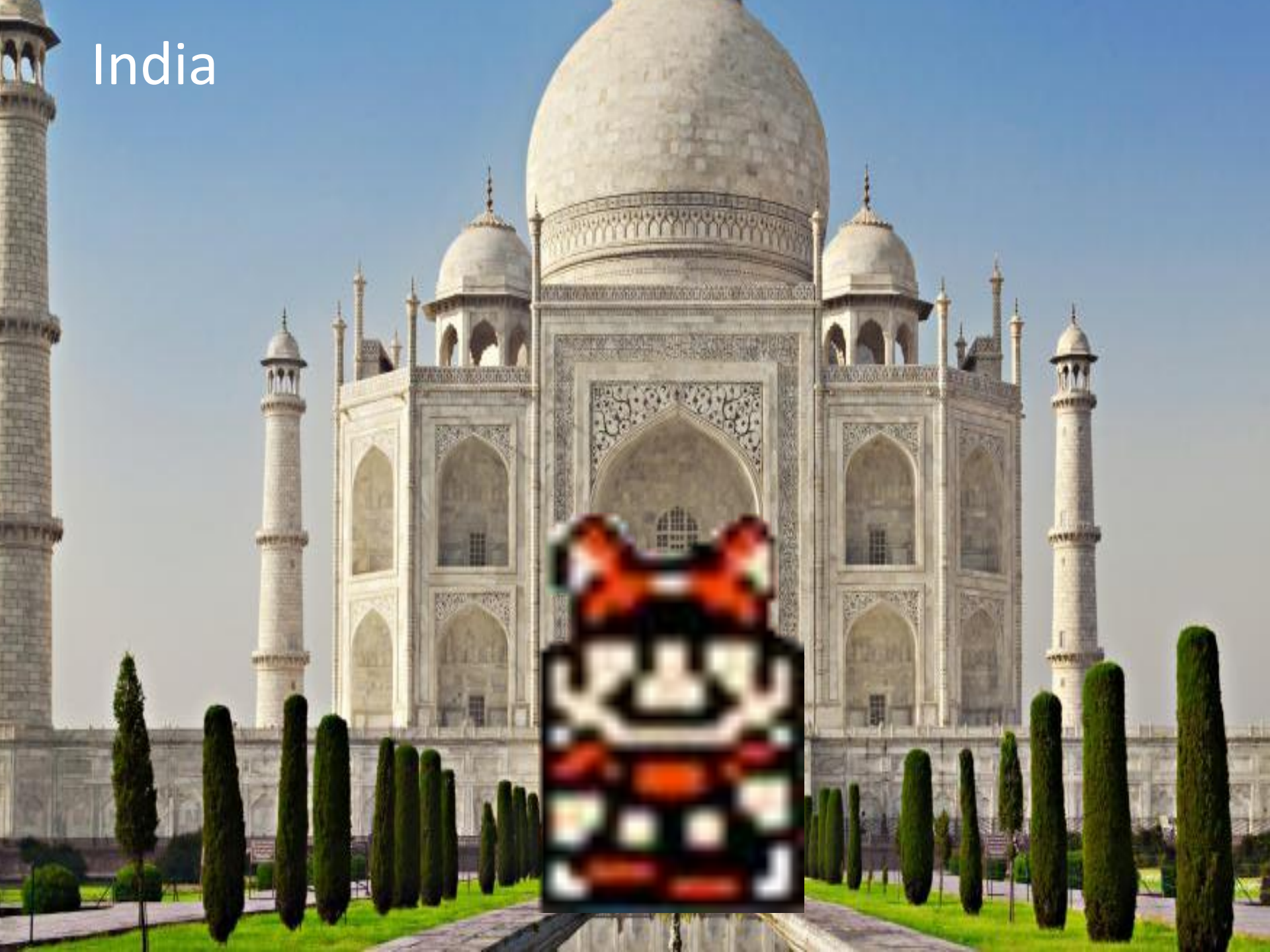


EGYPT

Hebrew Kingdoms



India



China



Greece





STAR



Rome



Ancient Rome

“All roads lead to Rome”





Why are these two boys nursing on a wolf?



Why are these men killing the man in orange?



Why are these people being fed to lions?

Standard 6.7.1

Identify the location and describe the rise of the Roman Republic, including the importance of such mythical and historical figures as Aeneas, Romulus and Remus, Cincinnatus, Julius Caesar, and Cicero

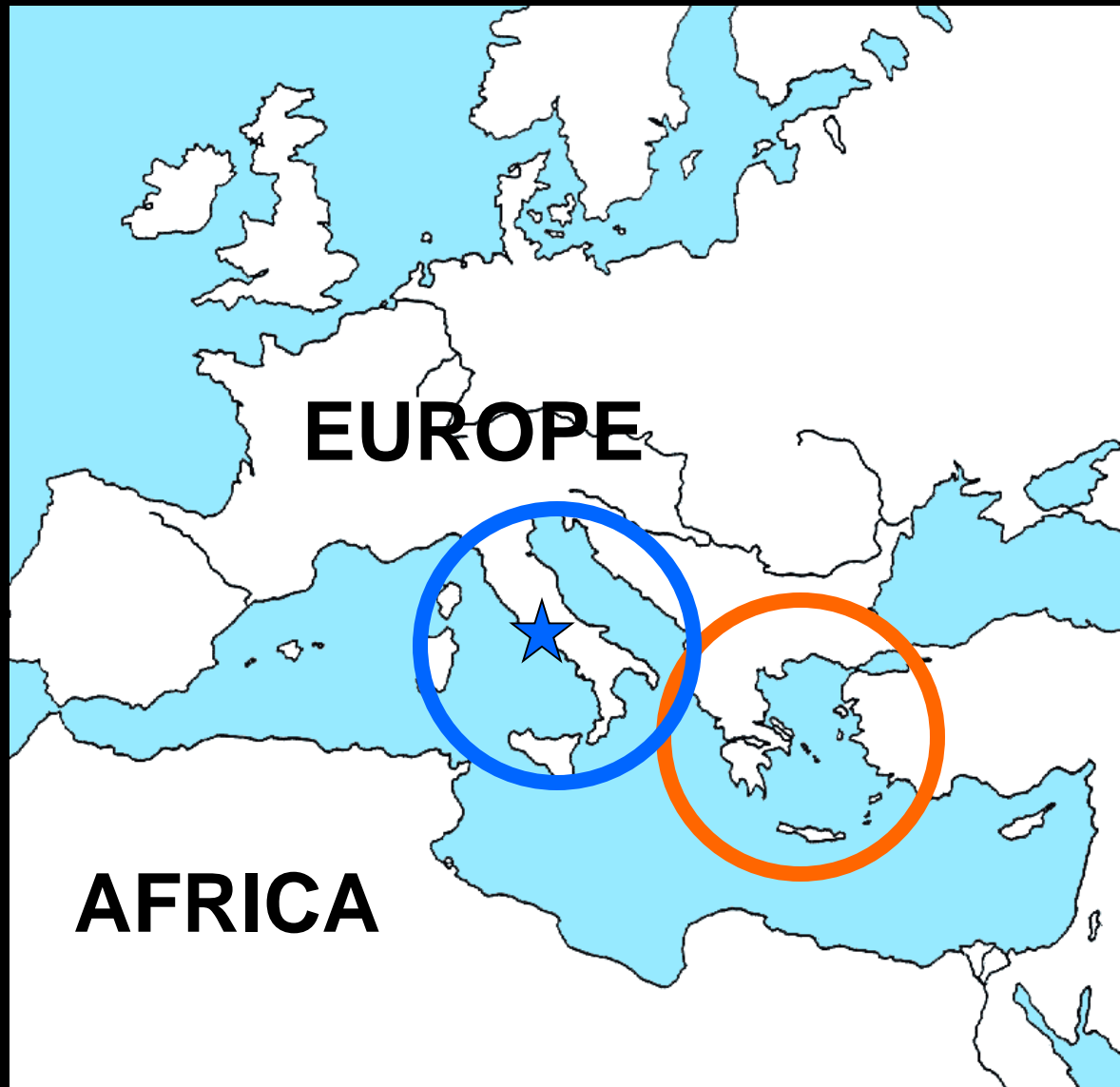
Objective

I will be able to identify Rome on a map.

I will be able to describe mythological origins of Rome.

Geography of the Mediterranean Sea

- Around 450 BC, the Athenians had created a democracy in **Greece.**
- To the west of Athens, on the **Italian peninsula** lay the city of **Rome.**



Greece → Rome

- The Romans borrowed art and architecture from the Greeks



Greece → Rome

- The Romans borrowed religion from the Greeks, too!



Zeus



Jupiter



Aphrodite



Venus



Hades



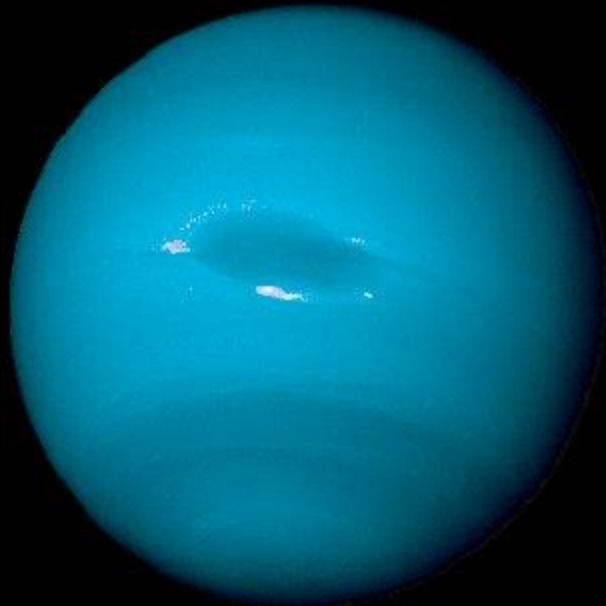
Pluto



Poseidon



Neptune



Hermes



Mercury



Ares

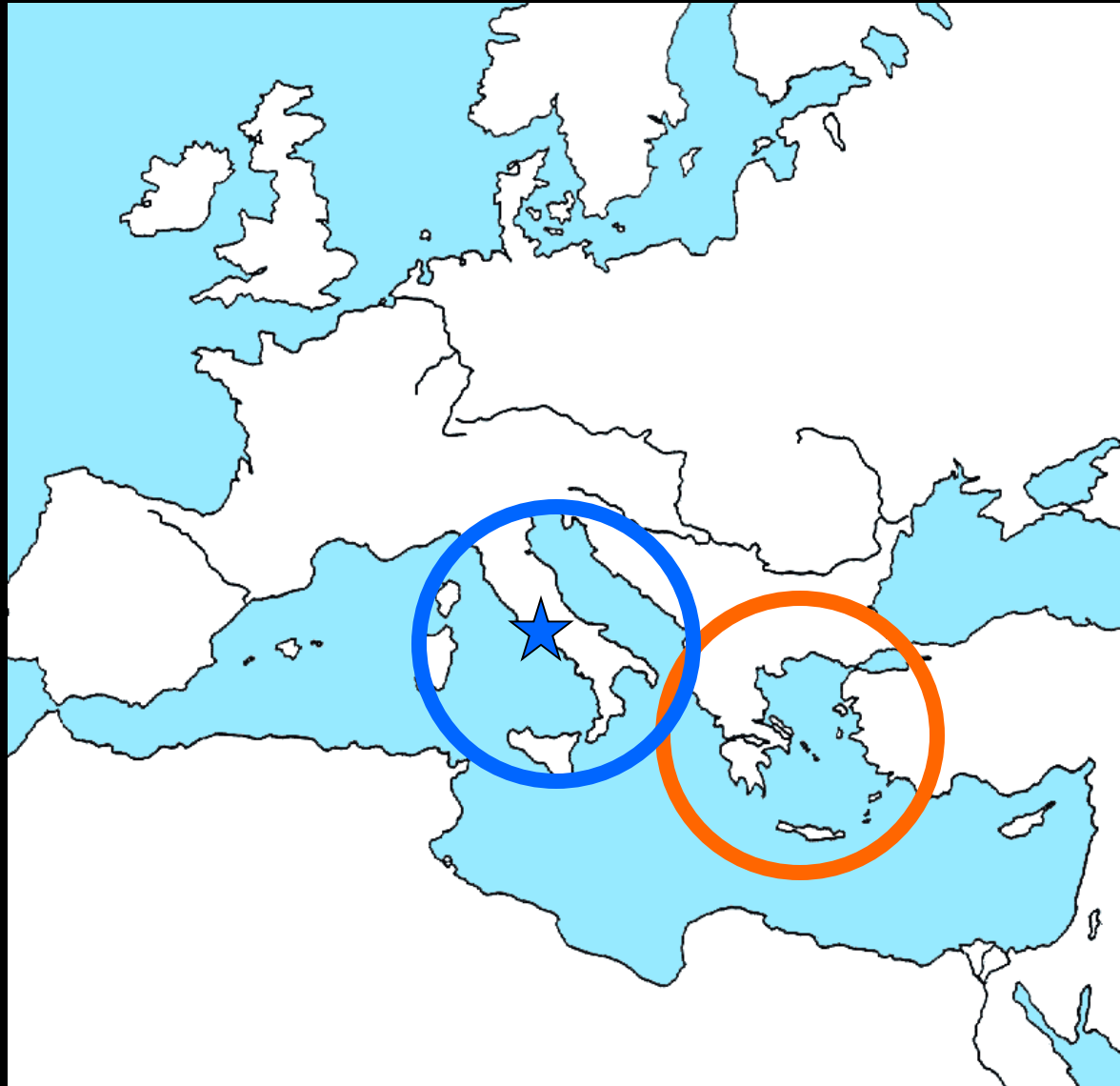


Mars



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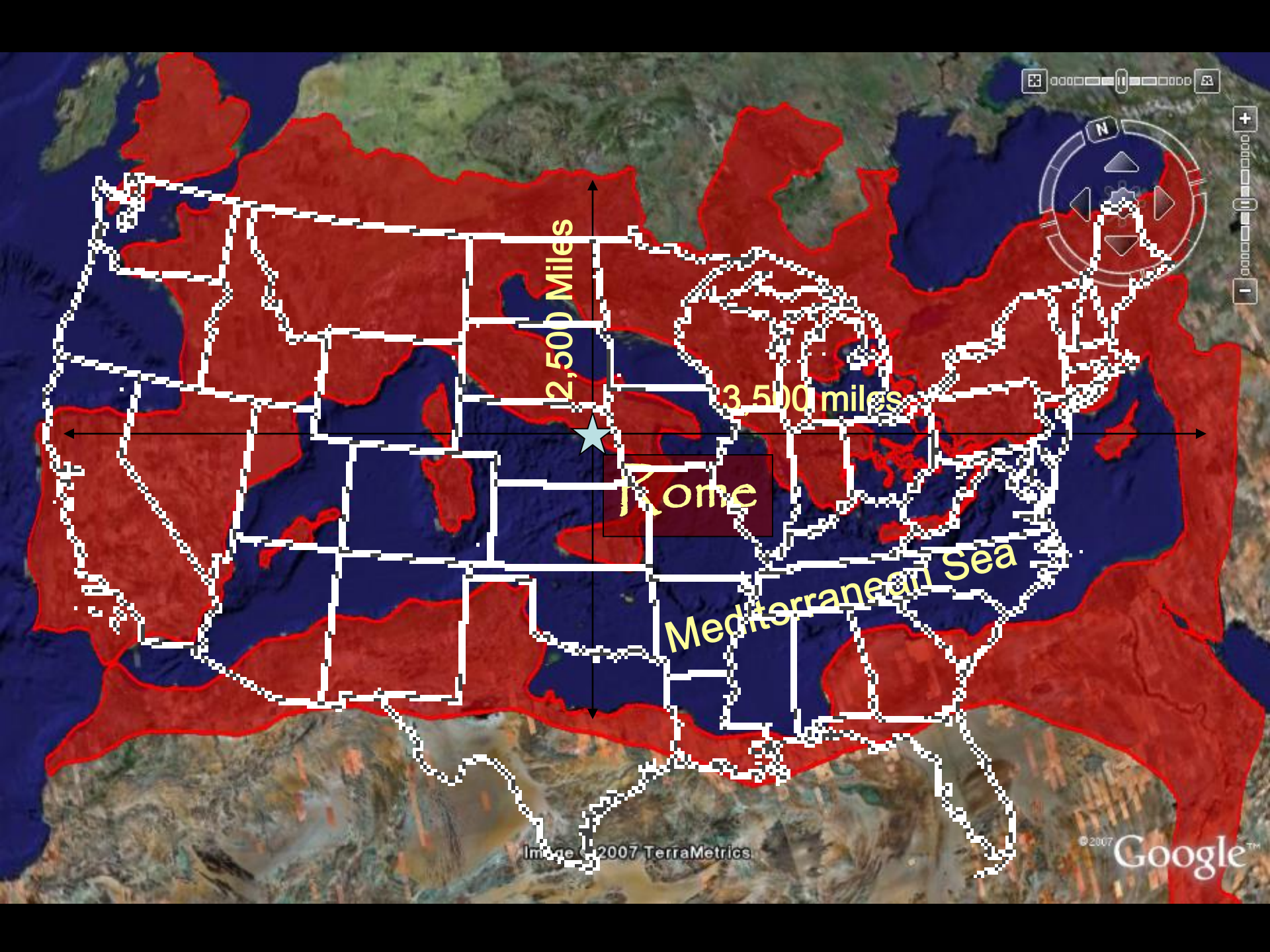


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2,500 Miles

3,500 miles

Rome

Mediterranean Sea

Remember:
The Italian
peninsula
looks like a
boot kicking
a football!



Land

Remember: The Italian peninsula looks like a boot kicking a football!

Rome

Italian peninsula

Corsica

Sardinia

Sicily



Mountains



Alps

Apennines
(ap eh ninz)

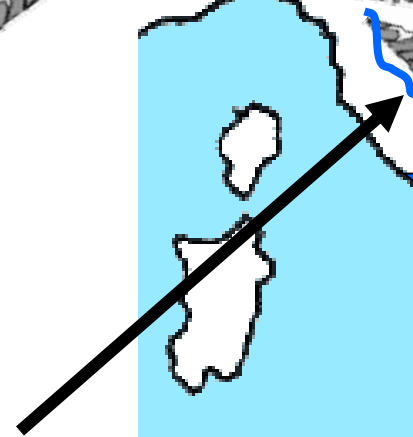


Rivers

Po River



Tiber River



Rome is on the Tiber River.



**Mediterranean
Sea**



Seas



Fertile Land

Fertile Land

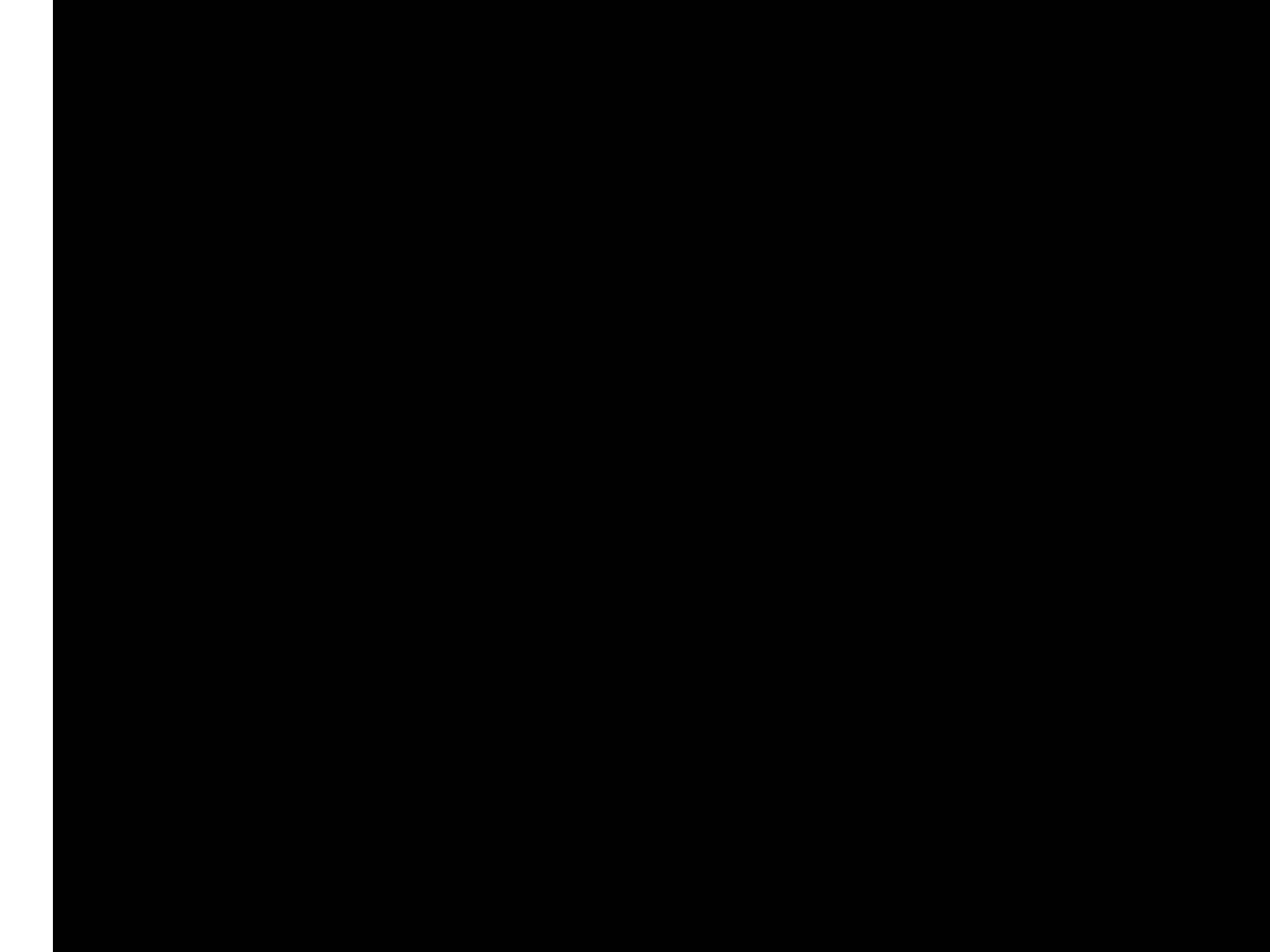




Romulus and Remus

- A myth about the founding of Rome
- Who was the first king of Rome?
- Why is Rome called Rome?





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Role: Romulus

Audience: She-wolf

Format: Letter

Topic: Thank you



- Extra information on Romulus/Remus myth

- According to the legend, Romulus and Remus were the sons of Rhea Silvia, the daughter of King Numitor of Alba Longa. Alba Longa was a mythical city located in the Alban Hills southeast of what would become Rome. Before the birth of the twins, Numitor was deposed by his younger brother Amulius, who forced Rhea to become a vestal virgin so that she would not give birth to rival claimants to his title. However, Rhea was impregnated by the war god Mars and gave birth to Romulus and Remus. Amulius ordered the infants drowned in the Tiber, but they survived and washed ashore at the foot of the Palatine hill, where they were suckled by a she-wolf until they were found by the shepherd Faustulus.

- Reared by Faustulus and his wife, the twins later became leaders of a band of young shepherd warriors. After learning their true identity, they attacked Alba Longa, killed the wicked Amulius, and restored their grandfather to the throne. The twins then decided to found a town on the site where they had been saved as infants. They soon became involved in a petty quarrel, however, and Remus was slain by his brother. Romulus then became ruler of the settlement, which was named "Rome" after him.

- To populate his town, Romulus offered asylum to fugitives and exiles. Rome lacked women, however, so Romulus invited the neighboring Sabines to a festival and abducted their women. A war then ensued, but the Sabine women intervened to prevent the Sabine men from seizing Rome. A peace treaty was drawn up, and the communities merged under the joint rule of Romulus and the Sabine king, Titus Tatius. Tatius' early death, perhaps perpetrated by Romulus, left the Roman as the sole king again. After a long and successful rule, Romulus died under obscure circumstances. Many Romans believed he was changed into a god and worshipped him as the deity Quirinus. After Romulus, there were six more kings of Rome, the last three believed to be Etruscans. Around 509 B.C., the Roman republic was established.