

Elements of Religion

I can explain the different elements of Roman religion.



Work with your partner. Read through the information about Roman religion and use dictionaries and your own knowledge to write down the meaning of words.

In the earlier Roman times, the Roman people believed in many different gods and goddesses whom they believed controlled different aspects of their lives. They did not have a central belief system of their own as such, but rather borrowed gods, **rituals** and **superstitions** from a number of sources and adapted them to suit their own needs. The Romans believed in good and bad **omens** and they performed many rituals in the hope of receiving good luck. **Prayer** and **sacrifice** was important and the Romans held festivals every month to honour the gods. They would also **worship** their gods and goddesses at temples.

Word	What It Means	Why the Romans Did It/ Believed It
ritual		
prayer		
sacrifice		
omen		
worship		
superstition		