



Art History

Engineering an Empire: Rome

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Directions: Answer the following questions while watching the History Channel's Engineering an Empire: Rome.

1. How can engineers/architects be important to the battle field? Explain using either Caesar's bridge or Hadrian's wall as an example.
2. What advantages were there to constructing buildings with arches instead of with complete stone walls?
3. How are roads so important to the connecting and organization of an empire? Use examples from the movie.
4. In your own words explain how the coliseum and the games can be seen as a 'Roman display of power'.
5. How were the aqueducts used to be able to supply the city? How were aqueducts, combined with baths, used to formulate a Roman identity?
6. Of all Rome's architectural achievements which was the most life altering? Defend your answer using the assertion, reasoning, evidence method.
7. How was architecture of the Roman Empire similar to other empires we have talked about? Explain using specific examples.