





Theme →	Literary Style & Genre	Roman Values	War & Empire	Leadership	Views of Non-Romans	History & Memory	Human Beings & the Gods
Aeneid, 1 Vergil	 Introduction to dactylic hexameter Use of extensive and oftentimes niche vocabulary Powerful portrayal of Dido 	 Aeneas inspires his men-calls upon the past difficulties they have all faced The Trojans push through difficulties 	 The Trojans are fleeing the Trojans War, which was arguably over Helen The Trojans anticipate conflict with Carthaginians 	 Aeneas encourages his people despite his fear and sadness Dido's power is implied from her celibacy, and she is compared to Diana 	 Although the Trojans fear the Carthaginians at first, Aeneas is entranced by their hard work (bee simile) Text 	 The story is told by a third person narrator, who calls upon a nymph to remind them of it Takes after Homer's ideas 	Carthage becomes the enemy of Rome later—it is Juno's favorite city Juno causes the Trojans' difficulties with a storm
Aeneid, 2 Vergil	 Aeneas is characterized a a fervent fighter The dream of Hector is employed within the flashback 	 The Trojans view pleasing the gods as their top priority Aeneas is shown to be brave and willing to die for his people 	 The Trojan War was in part a result of the dispute over Helen Many Trojans are killed including noncombatants 	 Aeneas is able to hold back his anger and not kill Helen so that he could focus on his family Aeneas leads his family out of Troy 	 The Trojans are tricked by the Greeks The Greek plan is portrayed as clever, but credit for Troy's downfall is given largely to the gods 	 The book is a recollection by Aeneas of the Fall of Troy Aeneas explains how the Trojans ended up in Carthage 	Gods aid the Greeks in allowing the fate of the Trojans (their demise) to ensue Venus, as a god, gets Aeneas to leave
Aeneid, 4 Vergil	 Nature is used to imply a traditional Roman marriage Text 	 Duty to his people is Aeneas' top priority, justifying his departure from Dido 	 King larbas and other North African rulers threaten Carthage Dido fears conflict, especially if Aeneas leaves 	 Aeneas gives up his comfortable life with Dido to accomplish what the Gods want 	 Carthaginians are viewed as equals Other North Africans are viewed as barbarians 	Dido rejecting suitors before Aeneas results in many being upset as demonstrated by larbas	 Mercury scolds Aeneas for not continuing to Italy Juno is conflicted
Aeneid, 6, 8, 12 Vergil	The classic feature of Epics, the journey to the Underworld is included	 The Field of Mourning → Roman distaste for excessive emotion 	A war is undertaken with the Rutuli after Turnus is driven mad by Juno	Aeneas demonstrates undying devotion to the Trojan cause	Opponents of the Trojans are portrayed as barbaric and 'at fault'	The epic ends with much of the context of the mythological founding of Rome	Aeneas in the Underworld Interaction with Charon
Gallic War , 1, 6 Caesar	 Caesar portrays himself favorably through third person 	Rome appears stable and well-organized relative to Gaul	Orgetorix seeks to create a Gallic empire with other leaders in the region	Orgetorix's corruption and self interest is brought to light	Gallic religion: similar to Roman but barbaric in some ways	The entire account is opened with a cultural + geographical intro	Druids are religious leaders who act as liaisons between humans + gods
Sallic War, 4 Caesar	 Caesar provides implicit justification for his attacks with selection of detail 	Caesar's men power through a lack or resources and act tactfully by waiting for reinforcements	Caesar sticks with his pretext for conquest of all Gaul for Rome	 Caesar is strategic but also reasonable when it comes to planning attacks 	 Gauls are portrayed as inferior militarily, both in terms of supplies and strategy 	Although history is written by the winners, Caesar recounts some Romans losses	Gods are not directly mentioned throughout this book
Gallic War, 5 (I) Caesar	 Foreshadowing is incorporated to describe Sabinus' rash plan 	Calmness of Cotta is silently praised even though it goes to waste	Despite superior weapons, poor leadership leads to Roman losses	The leaders Sabinus and Cotta are compared implicitly through their actions	 The Gauls are portrayed as deceitful but also skilled 	Despite previous deceit, Sabinus creates a faulty plan	Gods are not directly mentioned throughout this book
Gallic War , 5 (II), 6, 7 Caesar	Despite the third person, specific events and quotes are utilized	 Tactful military decisions praised Competition for the greater good 	Cicero deals with the Gauls more successfully than Sabinus and Cotta	The great leaders Pullo and Vorenus compete, resulting in a stalemate	The Gauls are superior in number but inferior in military prowess	 Following many revolts, the Gauls are largely subdued by Caesar and his men 	Duty to the gods and duty to Caesar are at the forefront

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