
1. acropolis	a raised area holding a cluster of buildings
2. aediles	junior magistrates in charge of maintaining water supply, streets and buildings, markets, games and festivals
3. alae	rooms with images of family ancestors
4. alba	white tablets on which political notices were inscribed
5. amphitheatre	an oval-shaped, open-air area surrounded by seating
6. amphora	a large pottery container, often used for olive oil and wine
7. anthropogenic	from human causes
8. apse	a semi-circular vaulted recess at the end of a building
9. atrium	an entrance hall
10. Augustalis	a priest involved in emperor worship
11. basilica	a building, usually large and impressive, where law courts were held
12. bas-relief	a sculpture or carving with some parts projecting out from the background
13. carbonise	to convert into carbon as in the timber doors and beams in Herculaneum
14. colonnade	a row of columns
15. comitium	a voting assembly
16. compluvium	an opening in the roof to let in light and air
17. concord	harmony
18. cubicula	a bedroom
19. cursus honorum	Roman career path of political offices which had to be held in a particular order
20. debris	scattered broken pieces or rubbish left behind
21. deities	gods and goddesses
22. dendrochronology	the dating of timber by counting the growth rings in trees
23. disarticulated	disconnected
24. duoviri	senior magistrates in charge of the administration of justice through the courts, council meetings and public finance
