Religions of Rome: Volume 2, A Sourcebook

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Religions of Rome: Volume 2, A Sourcebook by Mary Beard, John North & Simon Price is Ancient Volume two reveals the extraordinary diversity of ancient Roman religion. A comprehensive sourcebook, it presents a wide range of documents illustrating religious life in the Roman world - from the foundations of the city in the eighth century BC to the Christian capital more than a thousand years later. Each document is given a full introduction, explanatory notes and bibliography, and acts as a starting point for further discussion. Through paintings, sculptures, coins and inscriptions, as well as literary texts in translation, the book explores the major themes and problems of Roman religion, such as sacrifice, the religious calendar, divination, ritual, and priesthood. Starting from the archaeological traces of the earliest cults of the city, it finishes with a series of texts in which Roman authors themselves reflect on the nature of their own religion, its history, even its funny side. Judaism and Christianity are given full coverage, as important elements in the religious world of the Roman empire.

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By : Raffaele D'Amato

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The Gallic War

By : Julius Caesar

The Commentaries on the Gallic War is Julius Caesar's firsthand account of the Gallic Wars, written as a third-person narrative. In it Caesar describes the battles and intrigues that took place in the nine years he spent fighting the Germanic peoples and Celtic peoples in Gaul that opposed Roman
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_by Michael Grant_

Myths of the Greeks and Romans is an essential guide to ancient literature. The myths told by the Greeks and Romans are as important as their history for our understanding of what they believed, thought and felt, and of what they expressed in writing and visual art. Mythology was inextricably interwoven with the entire fabric of their public and private lives. This book discusses not only the purely fictional myths, fairy-tales and folk-tales but the sagas and legends which have some historical grounding. This is not a dictionary of stories, rather a personal selection of the most important and memorable. Michael Grant re-tells these marvellous tales, and then explores the different ways in which they have appeared throughout literature. It is an inspiring study, filled with quotations from literary sources, which gives the reader a fascinating exposition of ancient culture as well as an understanding of how vital the classical world has been in shaping the western culture of today.

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**Nero**

_by Jacob Abbott_

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_by Diane J. Rayor_
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**Oeuvres Completes de Rollin Tome 1**

By : Charles Rollin

Depuis long-temps on sentait la nécessité d'une édition critique des œuvres historiques de Rollin. Il est en effet reconnu que Rollin n'a point également soigné toutes les parties du grand ensemble d'histoire dont il a fait présent à la France. Ne pouvant examiner avec assez d'attention le sens de certains passages difficiles qui auraient exigé un examen approfondi, il a dû s'en rapporter quelquefois à des versions inexactes. Le temps lui a manqué pour remonter toujours à la source des faits: et souvent il a incorporé dans son ouvrage les résultats des travaux de ses prédécesseurs, sans les soumettre à l'épreuve d'un nouvel examen: c'est ce qu'il avoue cent fois avec une franchise et une candeur admirables.

**Ancient Egyptian Book of the Dead**

By : E. A. Wallis Budge & Epiphanius Wil

Presented in easy-to-understand sections, with this book you will discover the magic of ancient Egypt in this comprehensive translation of the real Egyptian Book of the Dead. Ancient Egyptian Book of the Dead is a compendium of classic texts by one of the greatest translators and historians of ancient Egypt, as well as one of the most renowned Egyptologists of all time, E.A. Wallis Budge. In Part I, using plain, simple, easy-to-understand language, Budge delves into the history, instructions, motifs, themes, spells, incantations, and charms written for the dead that ancient Egyptians would need to employ to pass from this world into the next. Throughout centuries, these "books of the dead man" were often found buried alongside mummies and inside tombs, which locals and grave robbers would collect. In Part II, Budge's classic translation of the Book of the Dead from the Papyrus of Ani (and others) is presented in its original format and contains the prayers, incantations, and ancient text used to help guide the dead during their journey. Finally, in Part III, a list of Egyptian deities is provided. Illustrated throughout with great care, including photos, fine art, and other illustrations, this edition will bring the historic afterlife guide back to life.

**De l'Amitié**

By : Cicero

De l’Amitié Cicéron, Homme d’État et auteur latin de la Rome antique (106 av JC – 43 av JC) Ce livre numérique présente «De l’Amitié», de Cicéron, édité en texte intégral. Une table des matières dynamique permet d’accéder directement aux différentes sections. Table des Matières -01- Présentation -02- INTRODUCTION -03- LÉLIUS OU DIALOGUE SUR L’AMITIÉ, ADRESSE À T. POMPONIUS ATTICUS -04- NOTES