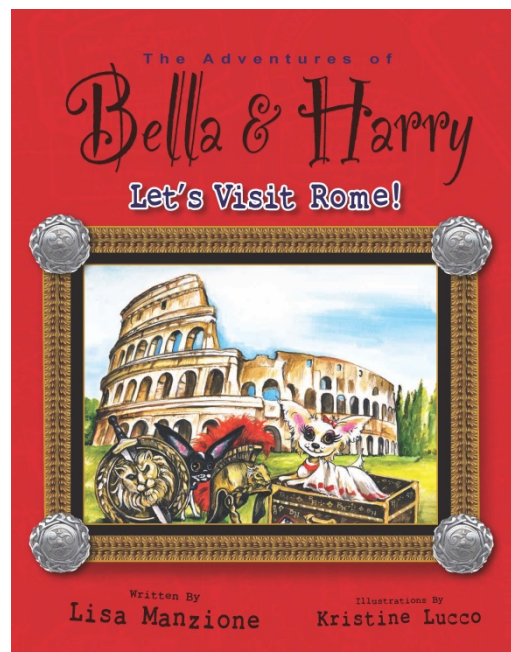


# The Adventures of Bella & Harry:

## Let's Visit Rome!

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Dear Teacher,

We hope you and your class enjoy reading about Bella & Harry and their visit to Rome. Here are some activities you may wish to do with your class.

### **Background Information for the Teacher:**

The “Bella & Harry” series is an informative, interactive and exciting way to introduce children to travel, different countries, customs, history and landmarks. Traveling the world with these two cute and cuddly Chihuahuas will allow the young reader to gain an appreciation of the world and its cultural diversity.

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### **Activities:**

1. **Compare and Contrast** - After reading *The Adventures of Bella & Harry: Let’s Visit Rome!*, students can use the attached Venn Diagram to compare and contrast Rome with a city in the United States. If you have read more than one adventure, you may want to compare and contrast those two cities as well.
2. **Comprehension** - Use the attached sheet to answer questions about the story.
3. **Vocabulary** - Use the attached sheet to match Italian words with the correct definition.
4. **Crossword Puzzle** - Use the attached crossword puzzle to fill in the blanks.
5. **Writing Assignment** - Use the attached sheet to help your students express what they have learned.

### **Extensions:**

- ~ Have a cultural day and try a variety of Italian foods.
- ~ Use books and the internet to research Rome or Italy.
- ~ Have students think of other places they would like to learn more about.
- ~ Create a newspaper article about Rome.

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## Facts about Rome

**Directions:** Think back about the story and then answer the following questions.


1. Who were *gladiators*? \_\_\_\_\_
2. Rome is located in the country of \_\_\_\_\_ on the continent \_\_\_\_\_.
3. Some people believe Italy looks like a \_\_\_\_\_.
4. If you go to the *Roman Colosseum*, you can see the “hypogeum”. What is a “*hypogeum*” and what was it used for? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
5. Describe the *Roman Forum*. \_\_\_\_\_  
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6. If you had gone to *Circus Maximus* long ago, what kind of races would you have seen there? \_\_\_\_\_
7. What is the name of the most famous Baroque fountain in Rome?  
\_\_\_\_\_
8. Why might someone go to an area called the “*Trident*”? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
9. Rome has the longest and widest staircase in all of Europe. What is the name of this staircase? \_\_\_\_\_
10. What was something you learned from the book that you found interesting? \_\_\_\_\_  
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## Rome Vocabulary Matching

**Directions:** Match the Italian words and phrases to their meaning.

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| 1. __ Si          | A) Good evening |
| 2. __ No          | B) Good night   |
| 3. __ Famiglia    | C) No           |
| 4. __ Arrivederci | D) Family       |
| 5. __ Buona sera  | E) Good morning |
| 6. __ Buon giorno | F) Yes          |
| 7. __ Buona notte | G) Good-bye     |

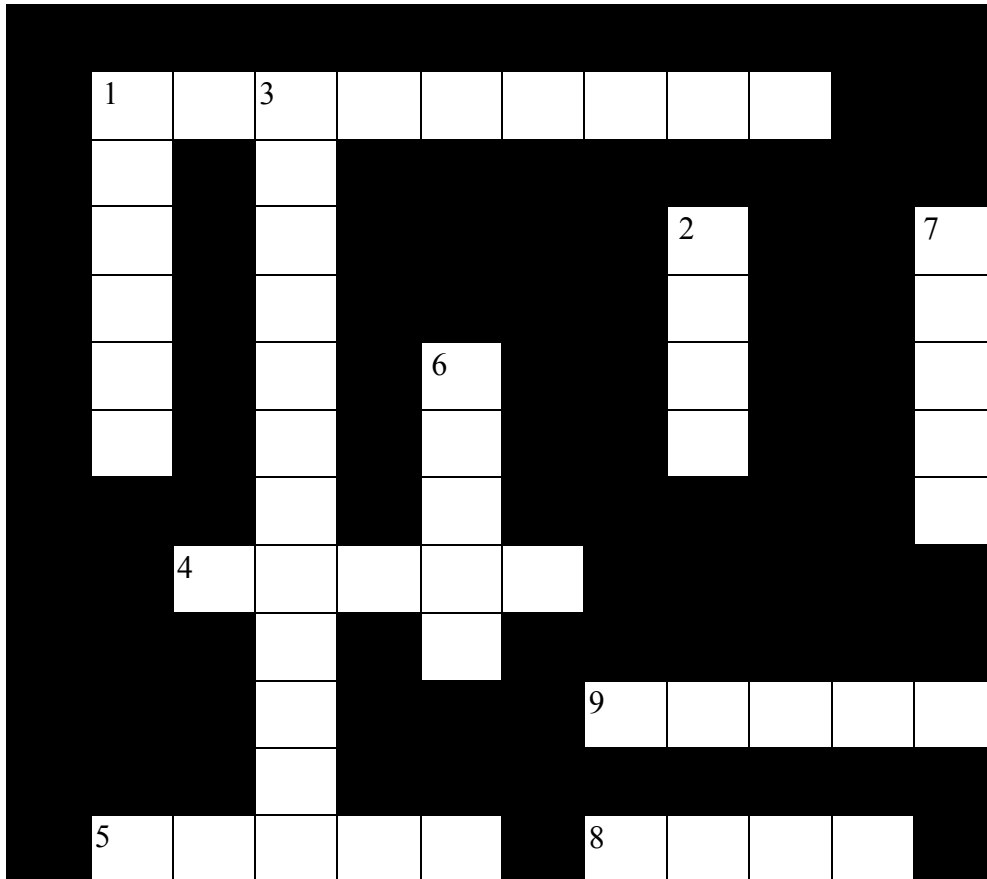
Pretend you are in Rome. Create a short comic strip. Use speech bubbles (  ) and include at least 2 of the above Italian words.

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### Let's Visit Rome!



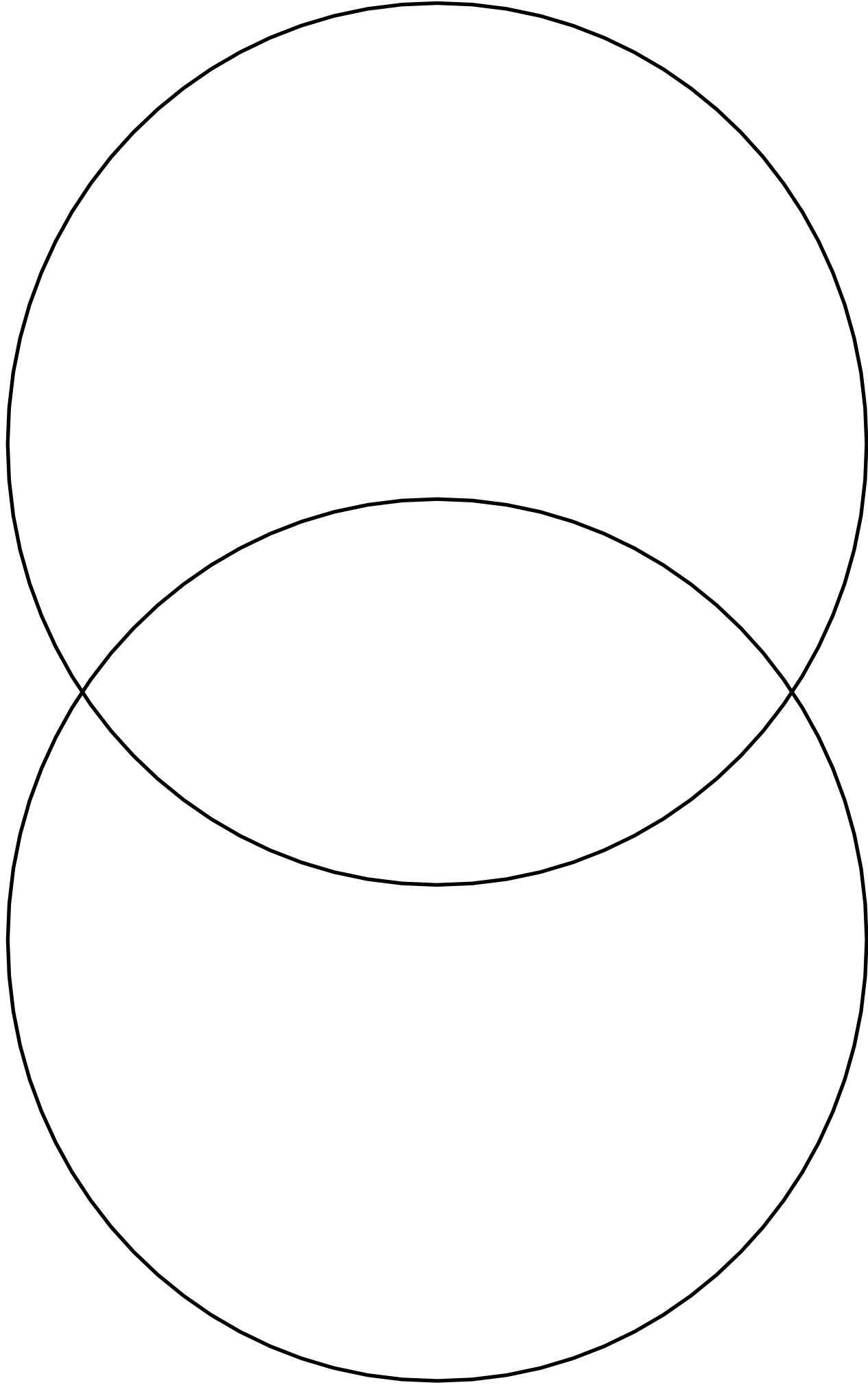
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6. Circus Maximus used to hold chariot \_\_\_\_\_
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# Venn Diagram





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3. Some people believe Italy looks like a **boot**.
4. If you go to the *Roman Colosseum*, you can see the “hypogeum”. What is a “*hypogeum*” and what was it used for? **An underground area of the Roman Colosseum where gladiators would wait before their competition.**
5. Describe the *Roman Forum*. **An old area in Rome that used to be a marketplace, then other buildings were built. Meetings used to be held there. Now it is mostly ruins.**
6. If you had gone to *Circus Maximus* long ago, what kind of races would you have seen there? **Chariot races.**
7. What is the name of the most famous Baroque fountain in Rome? **The Trevi Fountain (or Fontana di Trevi).**
8. Why might someone go an area called the “*Trident*”? **To eat or go shopping**
9. Rome has the longest and widest staircase in all of Europe. What is the name of this staircase? **The Spanish Steps.**
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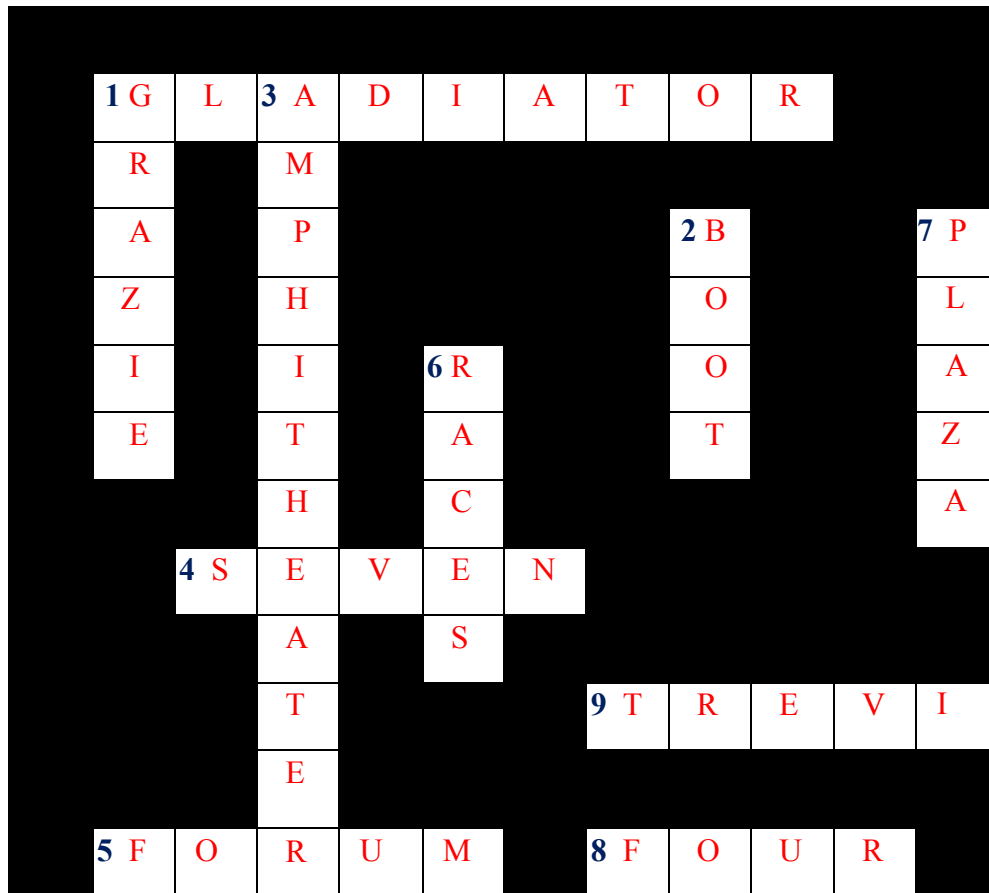
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