Quis hic habitat?

Description

This activity will introduce participants to Ancient Roman culture by writing a short theatre play about a day in the life of a Roman household. The script is presented as a conversation in an instant messaging app.

Tag

- Media
- Social Media
- WhatsApp

Skills

PRODUCTION

- · Create and modify written productions
- Use writing software and apps

CONTENT MANAGEMENT

• Search, select and download

SOCIAL MANAGEMENT

- Participate in social media
- Collaborate

NARRATIVE AND AESTHETIC

- Recognise and describe
- Evaluate and reflect

RISK PREVENTION

• Recognise and describe

Learning areas • Social Sciences

Card language • Spanish

- English

Structure

Sessions	2 (Variable)
Duration	120' (Variable)
Number of participants	10-30
Age	• 10-13 • 14-16
Materials	 Internet network Computer, tablet, smartphones Fake Whatsapp chat generator app http://www.fakewhats.com/generator

Process

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Key questions • What was the social structure like in Ancient Rome? · What are the characteristics of a Roman household? • What did Romans use to do in their daily lives? · How did domestic architecture relate to the Roman lifestyle? **Development** Session 1 By trying to answer the question `Who lives here?' the teacher introduces the activity to the classroom following a previous class on Ancient Rome. (10'). Students team up in groups of four people and do some research into Ancient Roman habits, social roles, and domestic spaces and chores. (20'). Based on the research, students conceive and plan a 15-20 line conversation among the members of a Roman household. The task involves creating characters according to the social roles of the period and the social class of the household and using a range of media expression forms (texts, pictures, etc.). (30'). Session 2 Students download a fake Whatsapp chat generator app (Yazzy), get familiar with it, and write the conversation using it. (20'). Students read their conversations aloud and their classmates give feedback following the teacher's prompts. (30') **Evaluation** Teachers evaluates the whole activity in terms of the skills to be acquired in the subject curricula. **References for professors** • Wikipedia: Family in Ancient Rome (https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Family_in_Ancient_Rome) Wikipedia: Roman villa (https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Roman_villa) Yazzy (https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.cerminara.yazzy&hl=es)

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