

Comprehension

Part A

The story of Romulus and Remus is full of exciting events. Answer the questions in full sentences. Remember to use correct punctuation in your answers, like in the first one that has been done for you.

1. What was Numitor's brother called?

Numitor's brother was called Amulius.

2. What was the usual punishment for betraying a vow?

3. Why didn't the servant throw the babies in the river?

4. Who rescued the babies from the river?

5. What do you think the servant told Amulius when he returned from the river? Why do you think this?



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Part B

The story of Romulus and Remus is full of exciting events. Answer the questions in full sentences. Remember to use correct punctuation in your answers.

1. What does the word 'conflict' mean?

2. Why do you think Amulius only killed Numitor's male heirs and not Rhea Silvia?

3. Why do you think Amulius was worried about conflict with Mars?

4. What do you think 'die from the elements' means?

Challenge Task

Write a question about the story for your partner to answer.



Comprehension Answers

Part A

1. What was Numitor's brother called?
 - *Numitor's brother was called Amulius.*
2. What was the usual punishment for betraying a vow?
 - *The usual punishment for betraying a vow was death.*
3. Why didn't the servant throw the babies in the river?
 - *The servant didn't throw the babies in the river because he thought about his own children and he felt guilty.*
4. Who rescued the babies from the river?
 - *A she-wolf rescued the babies from the river.*
5. What do you think the servant told Amulius when he returned from the river? Why do you think this?
 - *The servant might have told Amulius that he put the babies in the river, but not that he put them safely in a basket. I think this because in the story, Amulius is a violent, cruel person and has killed lots of people.*

Part B

1. What does the word 'conflict' mean?
 - *The word 'conflict' means fighting or arguing.*
2. Why do you think Amulius only killed Numitor's male heirs and not Rhea Silvia?
 - *I think Amulius only killed Numitor's male heirs and not Rhea Silvia because maybe in those days only men could rule. Amulius didn't need to kill Rhea Silvia, only make sure she didn't have any sons to become the ruler.*
3. Why do you think Amulius was worried about conflict with Mars?
 - *I think Amulius was worried about conflict with Mars because he was the God of War so he would be good at fighting.*
4. What do you think 'die from the elements' means?
 - *I think to 'die from the elements' means to die from being outside in bad weather.*

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Write a question about the story for your partner to answer.

Answers can be the children's own. They should be correctly punctuated.