Rome: Republic to Empire

Expansion

Rome expanded and controlled Italy

- Sea coast cities were colonies run by military officials
- Municipia: other towns that were controlled by Romans. (citizens could not vote)
- Allied cities: independent, allowed to keep own government

Struggle w/ Carthage

Carthage: City in Northern Africa Former Phoenician colony • Punic Wars: wars between Carthage and Rome (Punic: Latin term for Phoenician) • Hannibal: famous military leader from Carthage Romans took over Carthage Sold citizens into slavery Salted land so nothing would grow





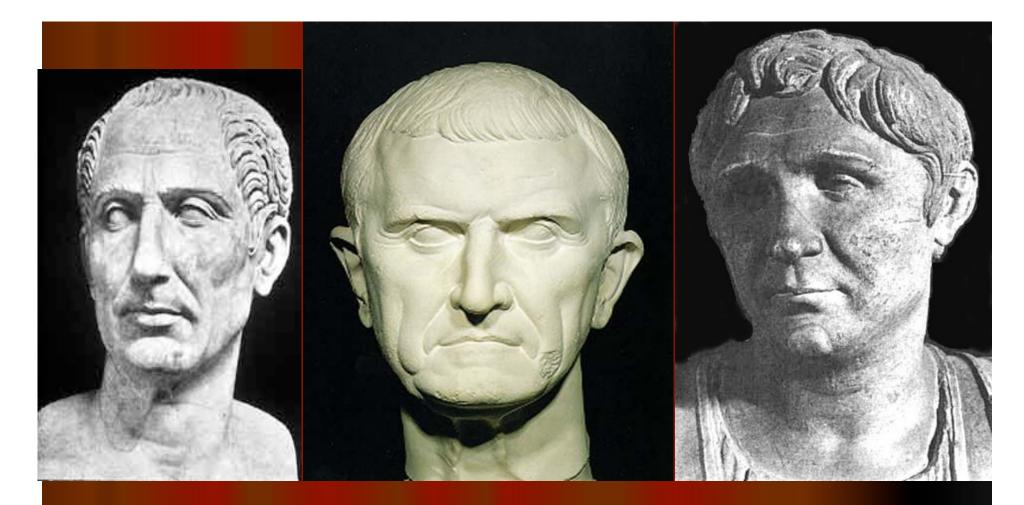
Problems w/ expansion

- Slaves were the main workforce
- Rich got richer, pushed poor farmers into cities for work
- Riots and mobs began
- Leaders gave these peasants free food and entertainment
 - Slaves became gladiators
 - Fought to the death w/ animals or one another

Leaders

Pompey, Crassus, and Caesar formed "First Triumvirate"
Ruling committee of three
Wealthy patricians
Excellent military leaders

Caesar's Gaul victories made him powerful



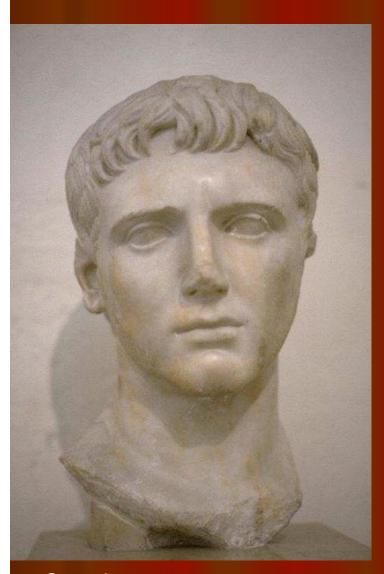
Caesar, Crassus, and Pompey respectfully

Caesar Gains Power! (3:30)



Collapse of Republic

 Pompey ordered Caesar to disband army Caesar refused and marched to Rome Pompey and senators fled to Greece Caesar declared himself dictator • Helped the poor, created jobs • Aristocrats upset (Brutus, Cassius assassinated Caesar) Second Triumvirate formed (Octavian, Mark Antony, Lepidus)



Octavian

Imperial Coins of Mark Antony





Imperial Coins of Lepidus

