

In English this week, we are going to be using the extract '**Julius Zebra: Entangled with the Egyptians**' by Gary Northfield. It is important that you read it carefully. It might take you a couple of reads to become an expert on it.



Task 2:

Read the comic strip on pages 5 and 6. It explains what Julius has been up to in the previous story.

Q1) List five things it says he achieved.

1. *Become a Roman gladiator.*
2. *Booted the Romans out of Britannia.*
3. *Reunited with his brother.*
4. *Vowed to stop the Roman Empire training anymore animal gladiators.*
5. *Travelled across Europe.*
6. *Freed animals from amphitheatres.*

He did not capture his old boss, Septimus.

Q2) Describe the relationship between the two brothers. What do they think of each other? Does he really hate him? Why?

Although it says he hates him he doesn't really mean it. It is clear he likes him as it says he missed him. He must like him even though he can be annoying by being silly sometimes.

Q3) Using evidence from the text, find as many reasons that prove that Julius isn't like other zebras.

He wears armour.

He carries/uses weapons.

He can talk.

He is friends with animals that typically eat zebras.

He sailed on a boat.

He can stand on two legs.

Study the illustration on page 10.

Q4) Explain what it means when it describes Brutus as being 'big-headed'. What sort of things might he do as he is 'big headed'? What do you think Julius feels towards his brother Brutus if he is 'big-headed'?

It means that he is arrogant or acts in an arrogant way rather than him actually having a big head.

Q5) What is the most important fact we learn about Lucia that means he can take part in the game shown on page 10? Why is it important?

His vegetarian so there is no risk of him eating the other animals he is traveling/friends with.

Q6) What is the setting shown in page 10? Make a list of the clues in the text that support this.

It is on board the ship. It is below deck. There is water on the floor. The walls look like blanks of wood. There is lots of cargo around there, including barrels. The lamp looks like it might be swaying.