

# Vlad and the Roman Triumph



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## Children's graffiti

This image is inspired by graffiti found by archaeologists in Pompeii in Italy. There are other examples that seem to show children practising writing letters.

## Beware of the dog

This dog scares Felix the cat in the story. This is based on the dog in a mosaic in front of a house in Pompeii. The Latin in the original mosaic says cave canem and means 'beware of the dog'.



## Emperor Augustus

Some reports say that a slave stood behind the Emperor holding a golden crown and whispering "remember you are a mortal". This was to remind him that he was still less powerful than the gods.

## Egyptian gods

This Triumph was celebrating the Roman victory over Egypt, so there was treasure from the Egyptian court. This is a golden representation of the Egyptian god Anubis.



## Dinosaur fossils

The Emperor Augustus collected fossils. He thought that they were the bones of heroes and creatures from stories. These bones in the story are from a Spinosaurus which was found in Egypt.

## Crocodile armour

It was common to bring animals to Rome from places where the soldiers had been fighting. This armour is made out of crocodile skin and is on display in the British Museum.

