

## People of Ancient Rome

When only one group knows the laws.

### Patricians

The ruling men of Rome for as long as anyone could remember:

- knew the laws
- could be magistrates (judge court cases)
- could take important, powerful jobs
- owned land
- owned slaves to work for them.



The Patricians had to:

- fight for Rome
- pay taxes
- help rule Rome.

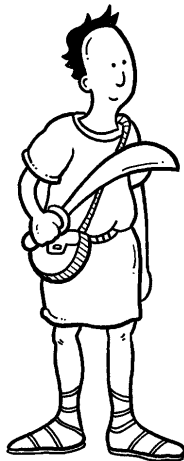
### Plebeians

Ordinary freemen like farmers and tradesmen:

- could own land and slaves.

But Plebeians:

- did not know what the laws were
- could not get the important, powerful jobs
- could not outvote Patricians.



The Plebeians had to:

- fight for Rome
- pay taxes.



**Women** were not allowed:

- into the place laws were made
- they could not vote and had no say at all about laws.

**Slaves:**

- had to obey their owners
- had no say at all.

