

Gladiators

Fill in the blanks below to complete the facts:

- 1) Among other events, Roman amphitheatres were famous for hosting _____ and _____.
- 2) _____ (Latin: *gladiatōrēs*, "swordsmen" or "one who uses a sword," from *gladius*, "sword") were professional _____ in ancient Rome.
- 3) The word comes from _____, the Latin word for a _____ used by _____ and some gladiators.
- 4) They fought against each other, _____, and sentenced _____, sometimes to the _____, for the entertainment of the public.
- 5) Most Gladiators were _____ or criminals who were trained to fight.
- 6) These fights took place in arenas known as _____, in many cities from the Roman Republic period through the Roman Empire.

- 7) The amphitheatres were also used by the romans to sacrifice _____ to the lions.
- 8) There were different types of gladiators in the world, such as _____, Mirmillones, _____, and the Secutores.
- 9) Thraeces: Thracians who fought with a round _____ and _____. Mirmillones and Secutores used a _____ and a short sword.
- 10) Equites: Entered the arena on _____.
- 11) Dimachaerus: Wielded _____ at once.
- 12) Essedarii: Fought in _____.
- 13) Retiarius: Armed with only a _____.
- 14) The _____ would have the final say about who would _____ and who would _____.
- 15) If the Gladiators survived long enough, they were _____ from the arena to live normal lives, and the most successful gladiators became _____.