

## 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 \_\_\_\_\_.