7.2 The Roman Republic (pp. 222-229)

Section Outline: Complete the section outline as you read. Remember that an outline contains the most important facts from a reading, and is not usually written in complete sentences. An outline can be a way of creating organized notes.

 $\circ \text{Early Rome}$

o Plebeians and Patricians

o Founding of the Republic

o Government of the Republic

 $\circ \mbox{The Branches of Rome's Republic}$

Consuls and Tribunes

oThe Twelve Tables

o The Wars with Carthage

o Hannibal's Plan

Contact with the Greeks

 \circ Problems in Italy

Efforts at Reform

Reading Check Questions: Answer the following questions as you read the text.

- 1. How did the plebeians gain a voice in Rome?
- 2. Why were the Twelve Tables important to the plebeians?
- 3. How did Rome build an empire?
- 4. What problems did the Republic face?