**Background Knowledge Worksheet**

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| Topic under investigation: | Roman Society |

1. Who was involved?

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| **Individual’s or group’s name:** | **Short description of this person or group:** |
| Patricians |  |
| Equestrians (Equites) |  |
| Plebeians |  |
| Slaves |  |
| Liberti |  |
| Pontifex Maximus |  |

1. Key Dates and Event

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| **Date:** | **Title of event:** | **Short description of this event:** |
|  | Founding of Rome |  |
|  | Conflict of the Orders |  |
|  | Edict of Caracalla |  |
|  | Legalization of Christianity |  |
|  | Fall of the Western Roman Empire |  |

1. What new words or phrases do you need to know?

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| **Word or phrase:** | **Short description of this word or phrase:** |
| Sine Manu |  |
| Paterfamilias |  |
| Roman pantheon |  |
| Edict of Caracalla |  |

**Paragraph Writing**

Based upon what you learnt in your research, answer the following question in paragraph format (Topic Sentence, Explanation, Evidence, Concluding Sentence):

*What kind of people held power in Ancient Rome?*