

MUSEUM OF CLASSICAL ARCHAEOLOGY

CREATE
YOUR
OWN



SUMMER ~~AT~~ *with* THE MUSEUMS

The Museum of Classical Archaeology has over 450 plaster casts of statues from Greek and Roman times. Some of these are statues of people from the same family which show what features they had in common.

In this activity you and your family will use tricks from Roman busts to create your own family portrait series. Each family member should have their own portrait which looks like them, yet all of them have to clearly belong together. Quite tricky!

YOU WILL NEED:

- Pencils and Colouring Pens
- Paper
- Mirror

1. Decide which facial features are common to most of your family members. Look at your family and pick 2 or 3 facial features that look the same. This could be your eyes, nose, ears, haircuts.

2. Each family member should then decide on 2 to 3 features which only they have. Look at yourself in a mirror and pick 2 to 3 features which are unique to you. This could be facial features, haircuts, hair or eye colour. You could even pick glasses or earrings.

3. Now create your portraits! Each Family member should draw their own portrait. Remember that each portrait should have common FAMILY FEATURES and unique INDIVIDUAL FEATURES. Show each other your portraits!



These are Roman busts of a father and his two sons. Can you spot any similarities?