Suetonius: The Lives of the Caesars
Introduction
1. What is the significance of the Roman scholar Gaius Suetonius Tranquillus?
1. What is the name of Suetonius's most famous work?
Main Content
Background on the Lives of the Caesars
1. Who were the 12 Caesars? List them in chronological order.
1. What is the significance of Augustus in the collection of biographies?
Tiberius, Caligula, and Claudius
1. Describe Tiberius's reputation and the accusations against him.
1. What is the significance of the story about Julius Caesar and the king of Bithynia?
1. Predict what you think the next episode will focus on based on the information provided in this video.
1. What are some of the strange or shocking behaviors attributed to Caligula?
1. How does Suetonius's portrayal of Claudius differ from that of Robert Graves in the novel I, Claudius?
Sex and Violence in Suetonius
1. Explain the Roman view of sexual morality and how it differed from our own.
1. What is the most damaging accusation that could be made against a powerful Roman man?
1. Describe the horrifying torture method used by Domitian on suspected conspirators.
Suetonius's Legacy
1. How has Suetonius's work influenced popular culture?
1. Why do you think Suetonius's biographies continue to fascinate readers today?

Conclusion 1. Summarize the main points of the video in your own words.