**Assignment Description:** We are studying the lives and language of a people who lived in a different time and spoke a different language. Because of this, their names are quite different from our own. You will learn that some Roman names have a direct relation to an English name you are familiar with, and some look completely unfamiliar to you.

**Your task:** You are to choose a Roman name for yourself. You may be called by this name frequently in class and so it should be a name that you like. Think carefully on this selection as it will be with you for two years.

1. Visit novaroma.org/nr/cognomen and read about Roman names. Browse the selection of Roman names provided and choose one suitable for yourself.
2. On a separate sheet of loose leaf paper (in cursive) write a paragraph about why you chose that name. This decision should be more thoughtful than “it sounded cool.” Maybe you felt a personal connection to a specific name - describe that connection. Maybe the name very accurately describes you. Maybe the name is the exact opposite of the type of person you are.
3. Make a nametag for yourself to put on your desk. This should be completed on printer paper with your birth name on one side and your Roman name on the other. Please decorate this and make it related to your own life.

This assignment is due: Next Class.