

JULIUS CAESAR BY
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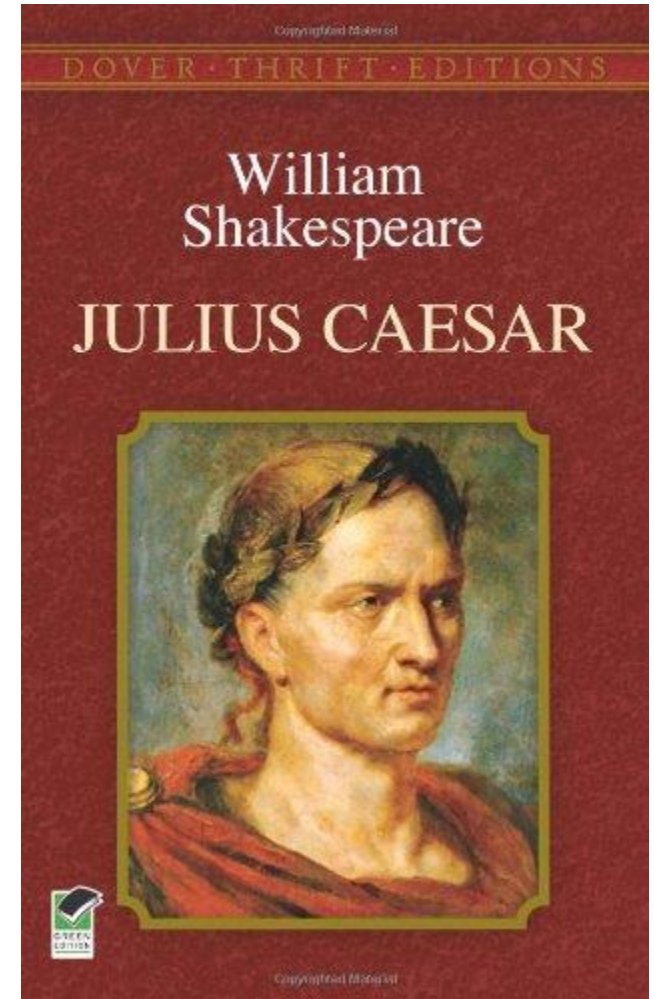
The Play

Julius Caesar

Author: William Shakespeare

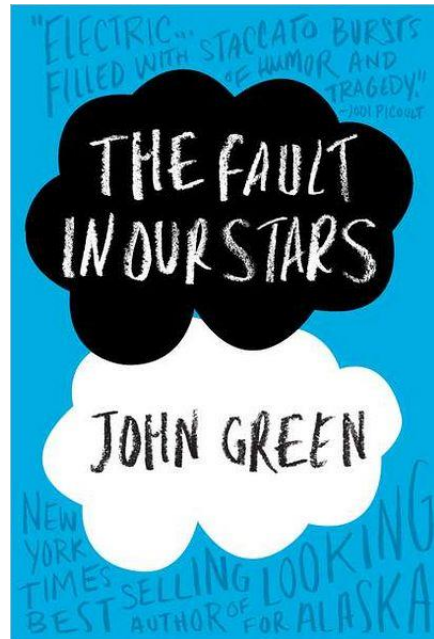
Based on a true story

Written in 1599



Quick Write

What do you think the phrase
'the fault in our stars' means?



The Play

Origin of the phrase: **The
Fault in our Stars**

Popularized the Ides of
March (March 15)

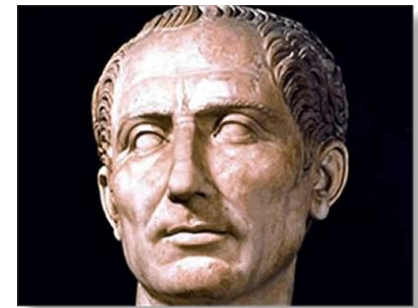
Popularized the phrase: **All
Greek to Me**



The Play

This play takes place in Ancient Rome, where Julius Caesar has just returned in triumph from war.

The crowd hails him as their new leader, but there are some Romans who fear he will become too powerful of a ruler, more like an emperor, and they will lose the liberties they have enjoyed as citizens of a free state.



The Background...

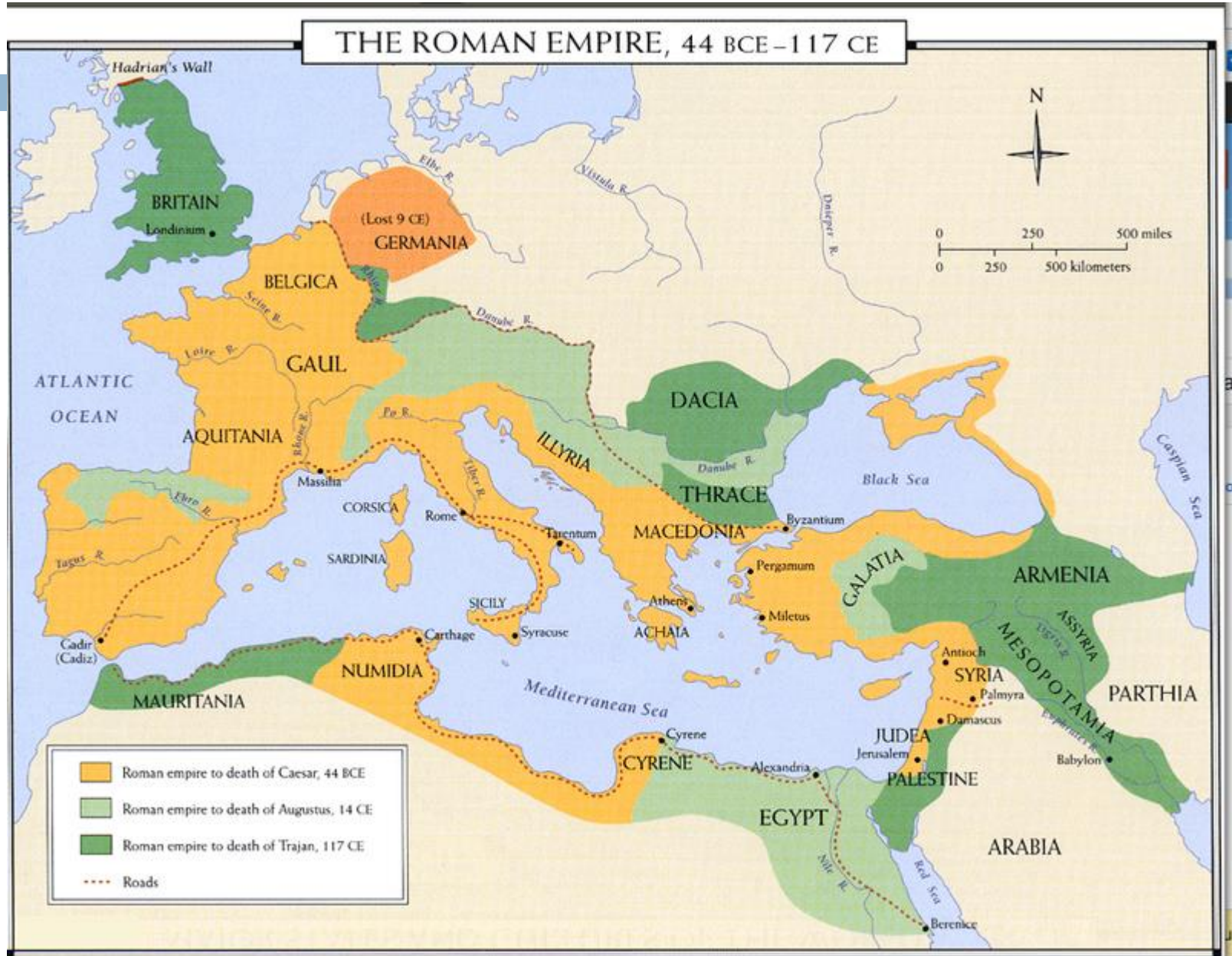
Julius Caesar

100BC - 44BC (55 years old)

- ❑ Roman politician and general
- ❑ Helped transform Rome from a republic to the Roman Empire
- ❑ Creator of the Julian calendar
- ❑ Had a relationship, and son, with Cleopatra
- ❑ Conquered Gaul (most of present-day France, Switzerland, Belgium and northern Italy), invaded England, and built relations with Egypt.




The Background...



Quick Write



Is the United States an empire, a democracy, a monarchy, or a republic? Explain.



A small group of men conspire against Caesar, believing they are acting to preserve the freedoms of the Roman Republic.

The play goes on to tell the story of what happens to Caesar. It also focuses on the conspirators, their quarrels, war, and liberties.