Reign of the Ptolelemies

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Ptolemy I

- Ptolemy I was born in 387 B.C.
- He was a general that became the first of many rulers that created the Ptolemaic dynasty.
- Under the Ptolemies, Alexandria became capital of Egypt.
Ptolemy II

- Ptolemy II was born in 309 B.C.
- He was a peaceful and cultured ruler, but a terrible warrior.
- Though he was an awful warrior, Ptolemy was a skilled general in the First Syrian War.
Cleopatra I Syra

- Cleopatra I was the daughter of Antiochus III the great and Queen Laodice III.
- She was appointed vizier* in 187 B.C.
- She minted her own coins.
- *A vizier is a high ranked minister or advisor.
Ptolemy XII

- Ptolemy XII was born in 117 B.C.
- His nickname was Aulettes, which means "pipes-player" because of his love of playing the pipes
- Cleopatra VII was Ptolemy XII's daughter.
Cleopatra VII

- Cleopatra VII was born in 69 B.C.
- She became queen when she was 18 years old and ruled with her husband/younger brother Ptolemy XIII.
- When Cleopatra's brother died, she married Julius Caesar and then Marc Antony.
- Cleopatra's death ended the Reign of the Ptolemies.
The End