

Max's Roman Numeral Treasure Hunt

Learning objective: To read and write Roman numerals up to 100 (C) and understand the place value of I, V, X, L, and C.

Max the monkey has found a dusty old map left behind by a Roman explorer! To unlock the treasure chest, you must decode the Roman numerals written on the map. Use the Word Bank to help you convert the Roman numerals into our modern numbers, or vice versa.

Word bank: I = 1 · V = 5 · X = 10 · L = 50 · C = 100

1. Max finds a stone carved with the number 'XLV'. What is this number in our modern system? (2 marks)

2. The map says the treasure is hidden 'LXX' paces from the fountain. Write the number '70' as a Roman numeral. (2 marks)

3. You see a code 'XCII' on a locked gate. What number does this represent? (2 marks)

4. Write the number '39' using Roman numerals. Hint: Think about how to write 30 and 9 separately. (2 marks)

5. If you have £85 to spend on supplies, how would an ancient Roman shopkeeper write that price on a label? (2 marks)

Draw: Draw a Roman-style coin showing the number 44 in Roman numerals on one side, and a picture of a laurel wreath on the other side.



Extension challenge: Max has found a challenge! Can you write your age in Roman numerals? Then, try to write the current year (2024) using Roman numerals (Remember: 1000 = M). How many 'M's do you need?