



**INFLUENCE OF DIVINATION AND AUGURY
ON THE ROMAN STATE; PONTIFICES,
AUGURES, SIBYLLINE BOOK AND
DIVINATION**

LECTISTERNIUM

- Roman propitiatory ceremony
- Couch (lectus) and statue
- Pairs of gods – Apollo and Latona, Hercules and Diana, Mercury and Neptune



SIBYLLINE BOOKS

- *Libri Sibyllini*
- Tarquinius Superbus
- Twelve Sibyls
- *Oracula Sibyllina* – Sibylline Oracles



AUGURES

- Interprets of god's will by studying the flight of birds
- Role in the public life
- *Auguria*
- Example – the inauguration of Numa Pompilius
- Attus Navius

