DRILL AND ROUTINE

with their short swords. Legionaries

throwing their pilum and fighting

also practised battlefield exercises.

remaining in straight lines while

moving in different directions, and

forming up in special battle

be able to march 32 kilometres in five

formations. Each legionary had to

hours, run long distances and climb

These included marching in step,

training and drilling. They practised

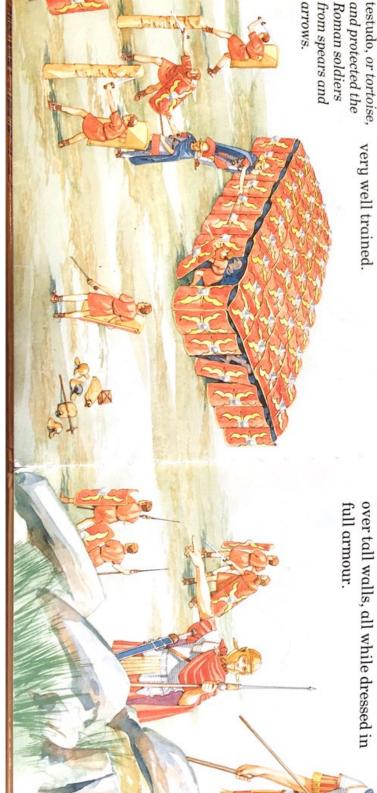
Roman soldiers spent many hours

successful in the ancient world. It 52 BC, 50,000 Romans led by Julius many battles, even when its troops defeated many enemies and won The Roman army was the most were outnumbered. At one battle, in Gauls. The Roman army was so Caesar defeated an army of 250,000

very well trained. successful because the soldiers were

An officer training

known as the formation was



elia de de la