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Review

The Ancient Roman City is so full of novel facts, useful synthesis and insightful summations, that the non-specialist is frequently drawn to dwell on the footnotes, track down the intriguing references and generally to reflect on what has been read... Likely to become a standard reference work for undergraduate and high school libraries, a popular supplementary textbook, and a well-worn occupant of that handy shelf near your desk.

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