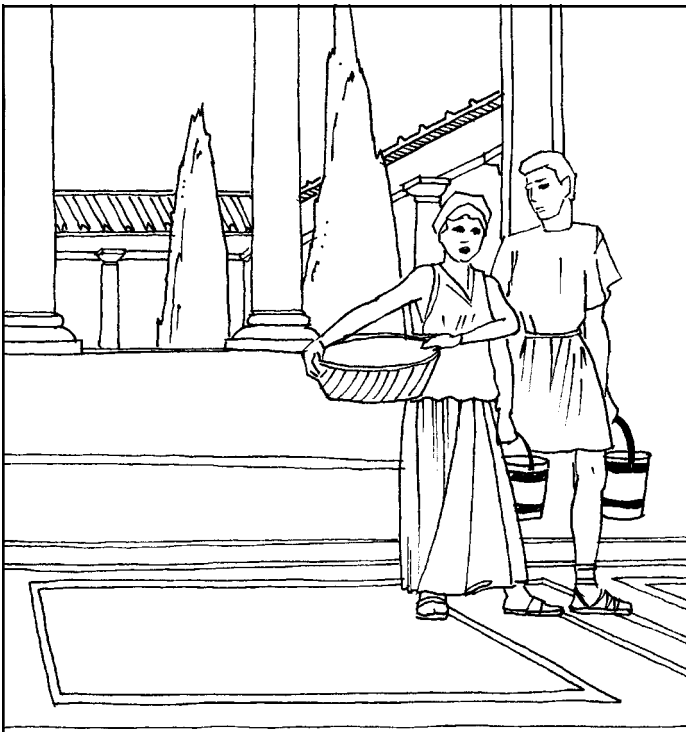


January

This is the first month of the year. It is named after Janus, the Roman god of new beginnings. Janus is shown with two faces, one looking back to the past and one looking forward to the future. Januarius is the Latin name for this month.

January



February

This is the English name for the second month of the year. Its name comes from the Latin word februa, which means a festival of purification. Originally, February was the last month of the year, which was a time to clean one's home and correct any wrongs done to others. The Romans moved February from the end of the year to the second month of the year. Februarius is the Latin name for this month.

February