

# Episode Eighty-One - Development of the Arts - The End of Book Five

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Here's something completely irrelevant; when the Romans got hold of the word ἀγρός, they used it in one of the two principal words they had for "land-surveyor". The *Gromatici* were those skilled in the use of the *groma*, a tool for laying out roads, camps and new settlements, in the classic Roman way of straight lines and right angles. But the *Finitors*, or *Agrimensores*, were responsible for settling boundary disputes between parties, replacing lost boundary stones, and the like. Other types of unofficial *mensores* or 'measurers' were employed in the various tasks of laying out orchards, vineyards, grain fields and such.