

The Romans in Britain– Year 3/4 History Knowledge Summary

Specific Vocabulary & definitions (meanings)

Facts to know by the end of the maths sequence

Interesting Reading

AD (Anno Domini)	Used to show the years after Jesus was born. Sometimes shown as BCE (Before Common Era)
BC (Before Christ)	Used to show the years before Jesus was born. Sometimes shown as CE (Common Era)
artefacts	Items from history made by a human
Celts	People living in Britain and some parts of Europe after the Iron Age.
conquer	Take control of another land
defeated	When one side or person is beaten in battle
emperor	The leader of an empire. Similar to a king or queen.
empire	Many countries that are ruled by one leader
invasion	One country attacking another to take it over.
legion	One unit of the Roman army; had 4,000 to 6,000 soldiers in. Lead by a centurion.
resources	The valuable things that can be found in a country.
settlement	A place where people decide to live

The Romans lived in Rome, a city in the centre of the country of Italy. Rome grew to be one of the most powerful and successful ancient civilizations ever. They ruled over nearly all of Europe and most of north Africa.

It is thought that some of the reasons the Romans invaded Britain was to conquer land, gain more slaves and collect the many precious resources in Britain including metals such as lead, tin, gold and silver.

The **Romans** established themselves in Britain and developed:

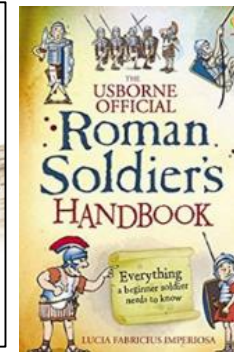
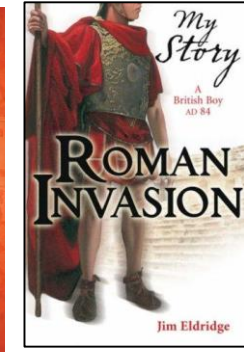
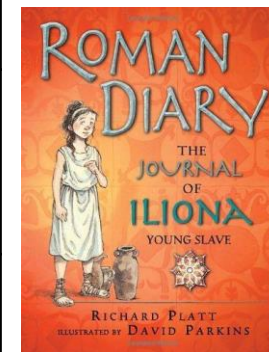
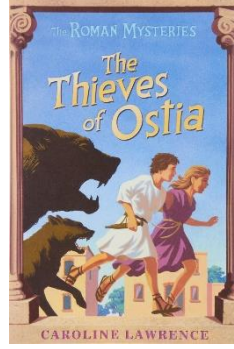
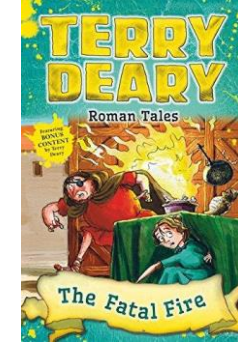
- paved straight roads
- **infrastructure** (e.g. sewage)

They also **influenced** the:

- written and spoken language (Latin)
- measurement system
- buildings (built out of bricks and stone)
- technology
- religion

Julius Caesar was probably the best known Roman leader. He extended the empire through invading other lands.

Boudicca was a queen of the British Celtic Iceni tribe who led an uprising against the occupying forces of the Roman Empire.



At the end of the topic I can:

Recall when and explain why the Romans invaded Britain.

Explain why some Britons welcomed the Romans and why some rebelled.

Give examples of how Romans influenced British culture.

753 BC Rome is founded by Romulus

27 BC Augustus becomes the first Roman Emperor

50 AD – London is founded

122 AD Hadrian's Wall built

410 AD Last Romans leave Britain

55 BC Julius Caesar attempts first invasion of Britain

43 AD Roman invasion of Britain

60 AD Boudicca rebels

80 AD Colosseum is built in Rome

312 AD Christianity becomes official religion of Roman empire



Useful websites:

English Heritage

<https://www.english-heritage.org.uk/learn/story-of-england/romans/>

BBC Bitesize

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zqtf34j>

Primary Homework Help

<http://www.primaryhomeworkhelp.co.uk/Romans.html>



Celtic warrior

Roman Soldier

