

History Topic: The Roman Empire and its impact on Britain

**What did the Romans do for us?**

Year 4



**BEFORE:** (Iron Age) People lived in tribes, ruled separately by warrior kings. There were wars between the tribes. People lived in hill forts to protect themselves.

**WHAT HAPPENED:** The Romans invaded and took over. They wanted Britain's precious metals, land, slaves and riches.

**AFTER:** Places looked very different with towns, roads, buildings, aqueducts and sanitation systems.

**'Be a historian' Key Concepts**

**KNOWLEDGE/UNDERSTANDING:** Describe ideas, beliefs, attitudes and experiences of men, women and children in Roman Britain.

**CHRONOLOGY/COMMUNICATION:** Identify key dates in the history of the Romans in Britain.

**ENQUIRY:** Identify evidence of the Romans in Britain. Use documents, printed sources, photographs, music, artefacts, visit sites) Ask relevant questions— what might be happening? What changes happened? Why is this account different?

**INTERPRETATION:** Reflect on the evidence collected; what does the evidence tell us? Critique- is there any other evidence to alter our opinion? How important were the Romans? What did the Romans do for us?

**CHRONOLOGY**

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|                          | 43 AD Romans invaded Britain  |
|                          | 50 AD London founded  |
|                          | 60-61 AD A revolt by Queen Boudicca   |
| 77 – 410 (Roman Britain) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Britons adopted Roman customs, law and religion</li> <li>• Many Britons became slaves</li> <li>• <b>The Romans built many roads, towns, bath houses, buildings, aqueducts and sanitation systems</b></li> <li>• <b>Trade and industry flourished</b></li> <li>• Hadrian's wall was built in the North</li> </ul> |
|                          | 410 AD Last Romans leave Britain  |

**VOCABULARY**

| Spelling | Definition/Sentence                                       |
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| Romans   | The people of Rome and its empire                         |
| emperor  | The leader of an empire                                   |
| province | An area of the Roman empire outside Italy                 |
| invasion | An attack on another country with the intent to take over |
| flourish | To grow successfully                                      |
| trade    | Buying and selling  |
| industry | The business of making things to be sold                  |
| tribe    | A group of people with their own culture                  |
| legacy   | Anything handed down from the past                        |

