



# Year 4: The Romans in Britain



## Key Questions

### Block A—Introduction to the Romans

1. What can I explain about the legend of the founding of Rome?
2. What can I explain about Kings, the Republic and the Empire?
3. Which key successes led to the rise of the Roman Empire?

### Block B—The Rise of the Roman Empire

1. Which key successes led to the rise of the Roman Empire?
2. What was life like for a Roman soldier?

### Block C—The Legacy of the Romans

5. What have the Romans done for us?
6. What is an 'empire' and how does it grow?

## National Curriculum

### History

- ✓ Use words and phrases: century, decade, BC and AD after, before, during
- ✓ Names and places of significant events on a timeline
- ✓ Show knowledge and understanding by describing features of past societies and periods
- ✓ Describe how some of the past events affect life today
- ✓ Learn about Ancient Rome making a study of Roman life and achievements and its influences on the Western world.
- ✓ Understand the difference between primary and secondary sources of evidence
- ✓ Identify ideas, events and attitudes and experiences of men, women and children from the past
- ✓ Construct informed responses that involve thoughtful selection and organisation of relevant historical information
- ✓ Understand how our knowledge of the past is constructed from a range of sources.

## Vocabulary

Boudicca	Britains	Italy	Rome
Republic	Empire	Kings	Gods
Asia	Europe	Hadrian	forts
Hadrian's Wall	Julius Caesar	legion	villa
shield	sword	spear	
baths	roads	aqueduct	

## Curriculum Links

### Art

- ✓ Improve mastery of arts and design techniques
- ✓ Produce creative work, exploring ideas and recording experiences

### DT

- ✓ Use research and develop design criteria to inform the design of innovative, functional, appealing products that are fit for purpose.
- ✓ Develop a wide range of art and design techniques in using colour, pattern, texture, line, shape, form and space.

### English

- ✓ Recognise different forms of poetry
- ✓ In narratives create settings, characters and plot
- ✓ Increasing familiarity with a range of myths and legends





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## Home Learning

### Suggested Websites and Links

<http://vault.hanover.edu/~pittenger/Roman-History/Resources/Maps/REmpire-expansion.htm> - Expansion of the Roman Empire

How the Romans conquered Britain:

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

Life in Ancient Rome:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zwmpfg8>

The Rise of the Roman Empire

<http://resourcesforhistory.com/map.htm> -

Life in the Legion

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zwmpfg8/articles/zqbnfg8> - This BBC resource shows what life in the Roman army and in a Roman fort was like;

<http://www.primaryhomeworkhelp.co.uk/romans/legion.html> - great for the chn's own research.

<https://www.pobble.com/for-schools> Pobble, an on-line writing website which showcases over 100,000 pieces of writing, including examples based on Hamilton plans

The Roman conquest of Britain

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zqtf34j/articles/z9j4kqt>

What have the Romans done for us?

<https://childrens.poetryarchive.org/poem/the-romans-in-britain/>

Roman Numerals

<https://childrens.poetryarchive.org/poem/the-romans-in-britain/>

The Legacy of the Romans

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/primaryhistory/romans/technology/>

General Roman sites

<https://www.theschoolrun.com/homework-help/roman-empire>

Boudicca and The Roman invasion

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eCTONqTJGKw>

Horrible Histories

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6dohpfFPi6U>

The Romans in Britain (Ducksters)

[https://www.ducksters.com/history/ancient\\_rome/rome\\_in\\_england.php#:~:text=It%20was%20Julius%20Caesar%20who%20first%20invaded%20Britain%20in%2055%20BC.&text=He%20left%20peacefully%20after%20the,make%20a%20name%20for%20himself.](https://www.ducksters.com/history/ancient_rome/rome_in_england.php#:~:text=It%20was%20Julius%20Caesar%20who%20first%20invaded%20Britain%20in%2055%20BC.&text=He%20left%20peacefully%20after%20the,make%20a%20name%20for%20himself.)

### Suggested Activities

- ✓ Design and make your own Roman shield
- ✓ Research, design and create your own Roman- robes
- ✓ Have a Roman feast
- ✓ Research and create your own Roman statue. Start with a pencil drawing and then use this to create a clay sculpture.
- ✓ Build models of iconic Roman building s.
- ✓ Visit Hadrian's Wall, Segedunum or Arbeia
- ✓ Research some Roman rulers—who made the biggest impact?
- ✓ Research some of the ancient Roman games and recreate some of them.
- ✓ Research and set up your own rules for ruling as an Empire or as a Republic.

### Further Topics

Home Life of the Romans

Roman Buildings

Life as a Roman soldier

Roman Gods

What is a Republic?

**HOME LEARNING**

