

The Roman Empire – 800BC – 500AD

Key People

Boudicca 	Boudicca fought against The Romans to protect Britain.
Julius Ceasar 	Julius Ceasar was a famous Roman leader and won many battles to help The Roman Empire grow.
Emperor Hadrian 	Hadrian ordered soldiers to build a big wall to separate Scotland from Roman invaded England. Back then, Scotland was called Caledonia.

Key Vocabulary

empire 	Empire means lots of countries ruled by ONE monarch (a King or Queen).
Celt 	The people in Britain were called Celts before The Romans invaded.
Roman 	The people from Rome in Italy were called Romans.
conquer 	Conquer means to overcome and take control of somewhere. The Romans conquered Britain – they took control of Britain.
Europe 	Europe is a <u>CONTINENT</u> which includes Italy and Britain alongside many other <u>COUNTRIES</u> .
Britain 	Britain is made up of England and Wales.
invasion 	Invasion or invade means to take over a place <u>with force</u> .
Caledonia (Scotland) 	Caledonia is what they used to call Scotland.
legions (armies) 	Legions meant armies.

Key Questions and Facts

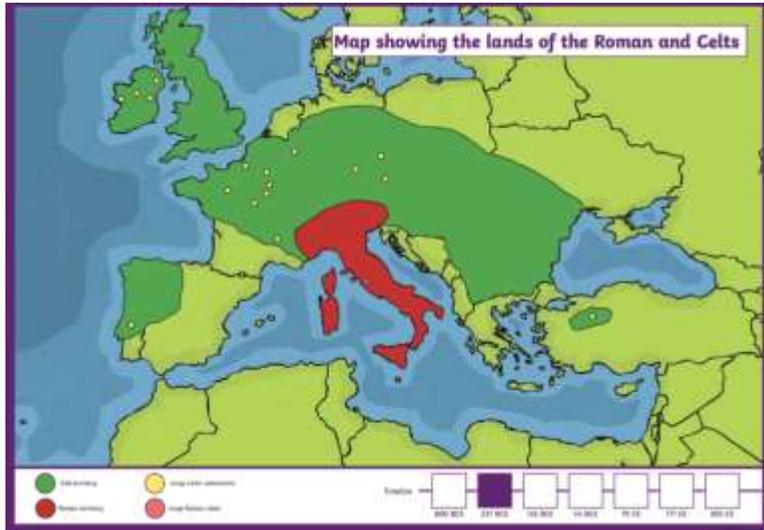
Who were The Romans?	The Romans lived in Rome, a city in the centre of the country of Italy  . They started taking over lots of other countries in Europe.
Who were The Celts?	Before The Romans, The Celts were the most powerful people in central and northern Europe. They were also called 'Britons' 'Gauls' (French) and 'Gaels'(Scottish and Irish). In the 1700s we decided to give them all one name – The Celts.
What was The Iron Age?	Before the Romans was The Iron Age. The name 'Iron Age' comes from the discovery of a new metal called iron. The Celts found out how to make iron tools and weapons.
When did The Romans invade Britain?	In August 55 B.C. (55 years before Jesus was born) the Roman general, Emperor Julius Caesar invaded Britain with his army.
Why did The Romans invade Britain?	We are not quite sure but it could be for 2 reasons: 1.) The Romans were cross with  Britain for helping the  Gauls (French) fight against the Roman general Julius Caesar. 2.) They came to Britain looking for riches - land, slaves, and most of all, iron, lead, zinc, copper, silver and gold
How long did The Romans stay in Britain?	The Romans remained in  Britain from 43 AD to 410 AD. That is almost four hundred years (four centuries)!
What language did The Romans speak?	The Romans spoke a form of Latin.
Why did the Romans leave Britain?	Their homes in Italy were being attacked by fierce tribes and every soldier was needed back in Italy to help so they left Britain.
Why was The Roman Empire important?	The Romans gave us language (Latin), the yearly calendar and names for months, laws and the legal system, straight roads, heating and concrete!

Latin words we still use today:

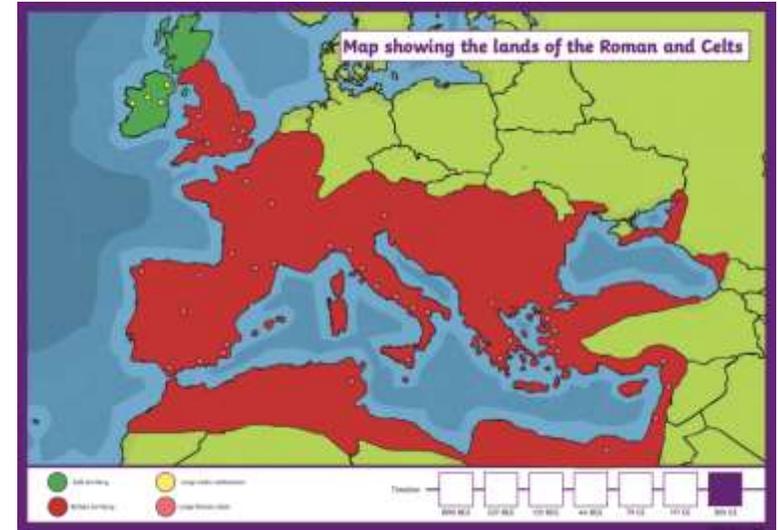
- Bonus
- Extra
- Versus
- Multi (e.g. multipack and multiple)
- Semi (e.g. semi-finals, semi-circle)
- Maximum
- Minimum

Roman Numerals
Can you count by only using letters?

I	1	XXX	30
II	2	XL	40
III	3	L	50
IV	4	LX	60
V	5	LXX	70
VI	6	LXXX	80
VII	7	XC	90
VIII	8	C	100
IX	9	D	500
X	10	M	1,000
XX	20	MD	1,500



Here you can see Europe in 237BC. The dark green shows where The Celts had control and the red shows where The Romans had control.



Here you can see Europe in 305AD. The dark green shows where The Celts had control and the red shows where The Romans had control.

Key Dates in Chronological Order

<p>753BC</p> <p>The building of Rome begins.</p>	<p>202BC</p> <p>Rome conquers territories outside Italy and its power spreads.</p>	<p>AD1</p> <p>The birth of Jesus.</p>	<p>AD43</p> <p>The Romans conquered Britain.</p>	<p>AD61</p> <p>Boudicca rebels against the Romans.</p>	<p>AD122</p> <p>The building of Hadrian's wall begins.</p>	<p>AD200</p> <p>Rome is attacked by the Barbarians.</p>	<p>AD410</p> <p>Roman rule in Britain comes to an end.</p>	<p>AD455</p> <p>Vandals destroy Rome and the Empire collapses.</p>
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