



Meerkats – History – The Romans

Key facts to learn:

- About the key life events of Julius Caesar, Emperor Claudius, Boudicca and Hadrian.
- That the Romans first invaded Britain in 45AD.
- That before the Roman invasion, that Britain was occupied by Iron Age people (Celts).
- How the developments that the Romans made influence the lives that we lead today.
- How the Roman Empire changed and developed from 44BC to AD 305.
- That London was founded in 50 AD.
- That the Romans built the Colosseum of Rome.
- Why the Romans left Britain.

Key skills to do:

- To sequence several events using a timeline, and understand that a timeline can be divided into BC and AD.
- To identify key locations using a world map.
- Use a range of sources to find out about the past.
- Construct informed responses about a key event.
- Devise personal questions to find out more about the past.
- Begin to undertake their own research.
- Note key changes over a period of time and given reasons for these changes.
- Explain how people and events have influenced life today.
- Use appropriate historical terms, such as empire, invasion and reigned.

Words to know and spell (Tier 2 Vocabulary)

BC	AD	Britain
Iron Age	Invasion	Invasion
Century	Temple	Legacy



Words to understand and spell (Tier 3 Vocabulary)

Chronology	Events arranged in the order that they happened.
Caledonia	The name used in Roman times for Scotland.
Emperor	The ruler of an empire.
Inceni	A tribe of Celts who lived in the east of Britain.
Civilisation	A well developed and organised society.
Legion	A large section of the Roman army, made up of 5000 soldiers.
Picts	Tribes from Caledonia
Roman Empire	The name used for the land that was controlled by the Romans, including parts of Europe, Middle East and North Africa.
Mosaic	A pattern or picture made from small pieces of stone.
Revolt	When a large number of people refuse to be ruled and take action against it.
Aqueduct	A manmade channel used for delivering water to Roman towns.
Barbarian	A term used by the Romans to refer to people who lived outside of the Roman Empire.
Centurion	A leader of a Roman army.
Gladiator	A person who fought for the entertainment of Roman audiences.

Concept check questions. Test yourself:

- Who was Julius Caesar?
- Why was Hadrian's Wall built?
- Can you give example of a rebellion against Roman rule?
- What legacy did the Romans leave behind?
- Why did the Romans leave Britain?

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