

Topic Overview

The Roman Empire and its Impact on Britain

Major History

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| Vision Concept | Community | What makes a community? |
| Narrative | Before the Romans invaded Britain, people lived in small settlements. The Romans built Britain's first towns. They built them all over Britain and connected them using the famous Roman roads. Towns became important places for meeting and trade. We will explore of this developed communities then and now. | |
| | History | Geography |
| Subject Concepts | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Evidence • Similarity and Difference • Significance • Time • Reasons and Results • Continuity and Change • Communication | Investigate places |
| Substantive Knowledge 'I know' | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The reasons for the success of their Empire building: Powerful, organized army, organised system of society and government • 'Romanisation' of Britain: The impact of technology, culture and beliefs, including early Christianity. They built new roads and towns in Britain. This increased trade from the rest of the empire and increased diversity in towns. Some of these roads and towns survive today. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The countries that are in Europe (including the location of Russia) • The environmental features of countries in Europe. • Geographical similarities and differences through the study of human and physical geography Types of settlements and land-uses |
| Disciplinary Knowledge 'I can' | <u>Working Historically</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use more than one source of evidence for historical enquiry in order to gain a more accurate understanding of history. • Evaluate the significance of one of the major events / features studied (see above) upon the future of the people in that area and others across The World. • Give a broad overview of life in Britain from ancient until medieval times. | <u>Working Geographically</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use maps, atlases, globes • Use a compass • Conduct fieldwork Observe Measure Record Present |
| English | | |
| Purposes for Writing | Inform | Entertain |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fact file about the effect of Romans on small Celtic communities | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Character description from different viewpoints • Story opening/ending based on "I was there Boudicca's Army". |
| Key Texts | Whole Class Texts: I was there Boudicca's army by Hilary McKay Class Reader: Call Me Lion by Camilla Chester | Guided Reading Texts: The British Museum. Roman Soldiers: Discover the world of the Ancient Roman Army. The Romans: Gods, Emperors and Dormice. Escape from Pompeii by Christina Balit |