

The Romans controlled much of Britain for almost 400 years. Britain was one small part of the Roman Empire.

Roman towns



Roman York

The Romans built towns across Britain which followed the same plan with key buildings and roads.



Bathhouse in Bath

Bathhouses were an important part of Roman life.

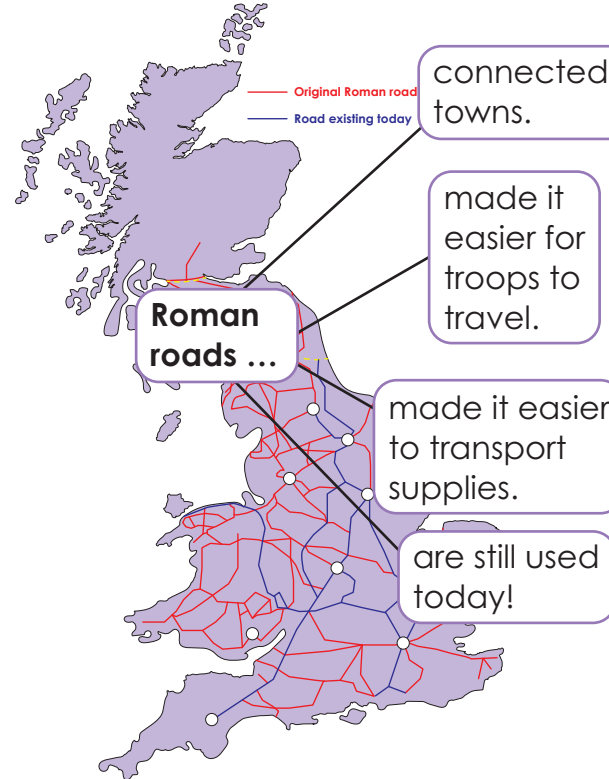
Archaeological sites

Archaeological sites like Caerwent can be found across Britain. They can tell you about what life was like.



Burial sites gives us evidence that Roman soldiers settled in Britain.

Trade and transport



People moved freely between different lands across the Roman empire.

The Romans developed a trade system across the empire.

They could import and export goods.

Trade

They also traded enslaved people.

Currency and different coins made trade easier.

Beliefs in Roman Britain

The Romans had their own gods.

Britons could worship their own gods if they respected the Roman ones.

Christianity was banned and many were killed for their beliefs.

Britons began to lose faith in the gods, Christianity became popular.

Emperor Theodosius declared Christianity the official religion of the Roman empire.



The Roman god Juno

Words and numbers

- Before the Romans invaded, most Britons could not read or write.
- The Romans introduced an alphabet and writing, as well as a number system.
- Many modern words have Roman origins.
- The Romans introduced the calendar to Britain.



A Roman calendar

Word	Definition
ancestry	The list of all their ancestors.
aqueduct	Channel built by people for transporting water.
archaeological site	A place that contains evidence of history.
archaeologist	Someone who studies archaeology.
bathhouse	A building containing baths for communal use.
belief	An idea that you are certain is true.
burial site	An area of land where dead bodies (human remains) are buried, especially a long time ago.
Caerwent	Famous archeological site in Britain.
Christianity	The religion of Christians.
currency	The money used in a certain place.
DNA	The chemical substance which makes up your genes.
empire	Lands controlled by a country beyond its borders.
enslaved people	People who are forced to work without pay. In Roman times, enslaved people were the legal property of another person.
evidence	Something that gives people reason to believe something.
export	To sell or send goods from one country to another.
foundations	A structure usually found below ground level and built to support the weight of something.

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human remains	What is left of the body of a person.
import	To bring products or goods into a country from another country.
Julian calendar	System of timekeeping introduced by Julius Caesar.
Latin	The language of Ancient Rome and its empire.
literacy	Being able to read and write in a way that allows you to communicate.
multicultural	A multicultural group or place is made up of many different cultures.
persecuted	Treated badly because of race or religious beliefs.
Polytheism	Belief in and worship of multiple gods.
province	A region or division of a country.
religion	The beliefs of an individual or group of people.
settlement	A place where a community of humans live.
sewer	An underground drain that carries away sewage.
society	A community of people.
source	The place where something comes from or starts.
stylus	An ancient writing tool.
trade	To buy and sell goods or services.