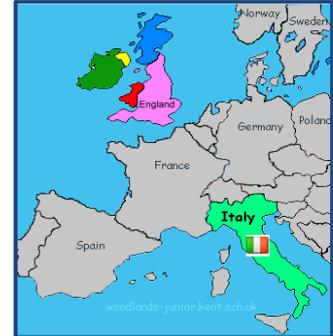


Romans in Great Britain

1) Who are the Romans?

- The Romans live in Rome, a city in the centre of the country of Italy .
- One day the Romans come to Britain.



2) Why do the Romans come to Britain?



- The Romans want Britain's precious metals as iron, copper, zinc, silver and gold.

- They called the land 'Britannia', which meant 'land of tin'.

However, they aren't just a destructive force - they built new forts, towns and roads. They spread their culture, language and laws

3) When do the Romans invade Britain?

First invasion - In August 55 B.C. the Roman Emperor Julius Caesar invades Britain with two Roman legions.

Caesar's second invasion: the following summer (in 54 B.C.) Caesar comes to Britain with five legions (30,000 foot soldiers) and 2,000 cavalrymen (horse riders).

This time the Romans crossed the River Thames.

Nearly one hundred years later, in 43 A.D Emperor Claudius organizes the final and successful Roman invasion of Britain.

4) How long do the Romans stay in Britain?

The Romans remained in Britain from 43 AD to 410 AD. That is almost four hundred years.

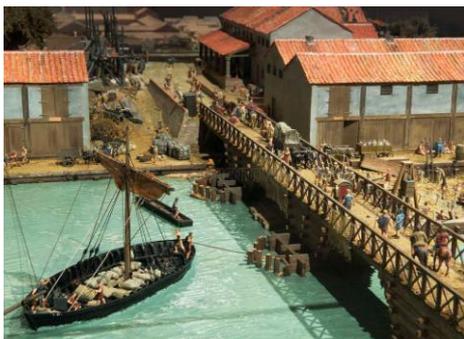
5) What language do the Romans speak?

The Romans speak a form of Latin known as vulgar Latin. It was quite different from the Classical Latin that we learn today.

6) Why do the Romans leave Britain?

Their homes in Italy are being attacked by fierce tribes and every soldier is needed.

7) What do the Romans call Londinium?



The Romans call London 'Londinium'.

The River Thames is a quick way to transport goods between Britain and the Continent. The Romans see this and built the town of Londinium around the river's main crossing point.

8) What do the Romans give to Britons?

Language: before the Romans arrive there was no written language in Britain.

The Calendar, laws and legal system, the Census. They bring animals as rabbits, coins and built roads, towns, temples and aqueducts

