



Learning Sequence	Self-assessment	Teacher assessment
1. To understand the chronology of the Roman Empire.		
2. To explain why the Romans invaded Britain.		
3. To investigate why Romans built new roads and towns in Britain.		
4. To understand Boudicca's rebellion.		
5. To describe what life was like in a Roman Villa.		
6. To identify the Roman legacy in Britain.		

What was Britain like before the Romans arrived?
The Celts lived in Britain before the Romans; however, no-one called them Celts until the eighteenth century. In fact the Romans called these people Britons.
Why did the Romans come to Britain?
Why the Romans came to Britain is not quite certain. Two reasons have been suggested: ★ The Romans were cross with Britain for helping the Gauls (now called the French) fight against the Roman general Julius Caesar. ★ They came to Britain looking for riches - land, slaves, and most of all, iron, lead, zinc, copper, silver and gold.
What changes did the Romans bring to Britain?
Roads ★ Towns ★ Architecture ★ Mosaics - we will make some paper mosaics this term!
How did the Britons/Celts react when the Romans arrived?
We revolted! When the Romans invaded, the Celtic tribes had to decide whether or not to fight back. If they made peace, they agreed to obey Roman laws and pay taxes. In return, they could keep their kingdoms. However, some Celtic leaders chose to fight!



Key Vocabulary	
Celts 	People living in ancient Britain in the time before the Romans.
citizen 	A person with all the rights and protections of a nation or land.
conquest 	Taking control of a place by force, often with an army.
emperor 	The ruler of an empire
empire 	A group of countries controlled by one ruler or government.
legion 	A large section of the Roman army made up of around 5,000 soldiers.
rebellion 	An uprising or revolt by people who want to challenge what they believe is unfair treatment by rulers.
Rome Empire 	The name used for the land that was controlled by the Romans.
tribe 	A group of people who share the same culture and values.

Timeline

									
753 BC The building of Rome begins.	202 BC Rome conquers territories outside of Italy.	133 BC The Roman Empire spreads across Europe and the top of Africa.	55-54 BC Julius Caesar attempted invasion of Britain.	0 AD Jesus is born.	43 AD Romans invade and Britain become part of the Roman Empire.	60-61 AD Boudicca leads the Iceni in revolt against the Romans.	123-128 AD Emperor Hadrian builds a wall on the Scottish Border.	306 AD Constantine the Great is declared Emperor at York.	401-410 AD The Romans withdraw from Britain.