

Did the invading Romans improve the lives of Britons?

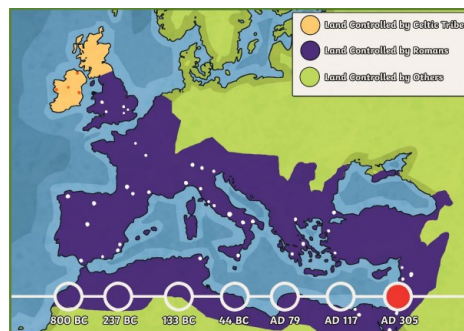
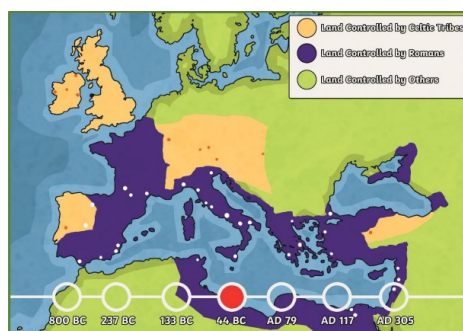


Key Vocabulary	
Caledonia	The name used in Roman times for Scotland.
Celts	People living in Britain.
emperor	The ruler of an empire.
Iceni	A tribe of Celts who lived in the east of Britain.
legion	A large section of the Roman army, made up of 5000 soldiers.
Picts	Tribes from Caledonia .
Roman Empire	The name used for the land that was controlled by the Romans, including parts of Europe, Middle East and North Africa.



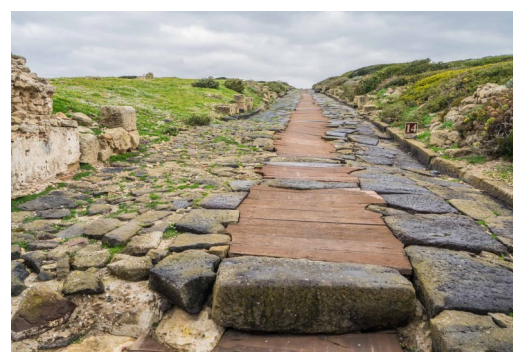
The Romans built elaborately designed Roman baths where people would go to relax and socialise.

The Romans believed in many gods and goddesses whom they believed controlled different aspects of their lives, such as time, love and seas.



Map showing the **Roman Empire** in 44 BC

Map showing the **Roman Empire** in 305 AD



The Romans were famous for building long, straight roads to transport **legions**, supplies, trading goods and messages from the **emperor**. You can still see some Roman roads today, 2000 years after they were built.

Key Events	
55 BC: The First Raid	Julius Caesar wanted to extend his Roman Empire so he attempted to invade Britain but the Celts fought back and the Roman returned to Gallia (modern day France).
54BC: The Second Raid	Julius Caesar tried to take over Britain again. This time, he took bigger and stronger legions and had some success. Some British tribes were forced to pay tributes (luxury items, such as gold, slaves or soldiers) in order to carry on living how they were.
43 AD: Invasion	The new emperor , Claudius, was determined to make more of Britain part of his Roman Empire and started a successful invasion. Seeing how powerful the Roman army was, many Celts agreed to obey Roman laws and pay taxes. However, there were some tribes of Celts the continued to fight against the Romans, meaning that the Romans never gained full control of Britain.

60AD: Boudicca's Rebellion	The Romans ordered the Iceni tribe to pay taxes but the ruler of the tribe, Queen Boudicca, refused and formed an army. Thousands died in battle and eventually the Romans won.
122AD: Hadrian's Wall	The Caledonian tribes fought battles against the Romans who had tried to take their land. The Romans wanted a way to separate their land from the Picts and so a wall was ordered to be built by Emperor Hadrian to protect the Romans' land.



Hadrian's Wall