

THE ROMANS: INVASION NATION

WOULD YOU RATHER BE A ROMAN OR A VIKING?

VOCABULARY

source	An object, document related to person or place that gives us clues to historical events and times.
empire	A group of countries ruled by one ruler.
invasion	Entering a country with armies and by force.
settlers	A person who moves in a group to live in a new country or area.
Legion	Large group of Roman soldiers
gladiator	A man trained to fight others or animals in an arena as entertainment.
mosaic	A picture created by arranging small piece of tile or glass.
emperor	The ruler of an empire.
gladius	A short sword.
pugio	A dagger.
chariot	A two wheeled vehicle, drawn by horses.

KEY INFORMATION

- ◆ The Romans came from Rome.
- ◆ They created a large empire by invading many countries.
- ◆ The Romans had well organised armies that were often no match for the Celts.
- ◆ The Romans were also great builders and engineers.
- ◆ The Romans believed that they were civilised and the tribes were barbarians.
- ◆ They wanted to come to England for our metals and crops.
- ◆ Julius Caesar was a Roman Emperor.
- ◆ Boudicca led a tribe of Celts who fought back against the Romans.

KEY QUESTIONS

Why did the Romans invade Britain?
How was the Roman Empire so strong?
What was life as a Roman soldier like?
Who was Boudicca?
What were the Romans known for?
Why did the Romans leave?

KEY DATES?

Julius Caesar's attempted invasion in 55-54 BC
Britain becomes part of Roman Empire in 43 AD



CORE TEXTS

