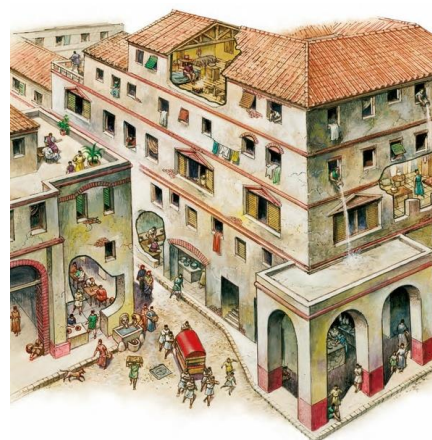


The Basics

Roman Empire	The part of Europe that the Romans controlled.
The Empire was most prominent from 26 BC to 476 AD Lasting around 500 years	
Roman Britain	Britain in Roman times.
customs	A traditional and widely accepted way of behaving or doing something that is specific to a particular society, place, or time.
religion	A set of beliefs followed by a group of people.
historian	Someone who learns about the past from a range of sources.
sources	Where evidence about the past can be found. These can be primary eg: buildings, skeletons, books written by the people being studied or secondary eg: books written by historians and tv programs based on primary sources.
conquer	To gain control by using military force.
Invalidate	To enter for conquest.
Latin	The language spoken and written by the Romans
Roman Numerals	The Roman system for counting based on seven different symbols. I, V, X, L, C, D, M
Celts	People who lived in Europe, and in Britain, who fought Romans

Buildings

villa	A large house in the country. Some were like farmhouses and some were like palaces.
insulae	apartment or apartment building
hypocaust	Roman central heating. Hot air from a furnace flowed through gaps between walls and flooring.



Insulae

Roman Villa

Key Questions

How did the Romans influence Britain?

Why were the Romans so successful at invading?

What was their most gruesome form of entertainment?

Why did they struggle conquering Britain?



Roman Army

invasion	Forcefully taking over another country.
legion	A group of 5000 soldiers. The main battle unit of the Roman army.
legionary	A Roman Soldier.
centurian	An office commanding about 80-100 legionaries.
gladium	Sword
scutum	Shield
pila	Javelin
testudo	Defence strategy where legionaries used their shields as a cover by overlapping them.

Entertainment

gladiator	a man trained to fight with weapons against other men or wild animals in an arena.
amphitheatre	(especially in Greek and Roman architecture) an open circular or oval building with a central space surrounded by tiers of seats for spectators. Used for Drama or sporting events.
Colosseum	an amphitheatre in Rome that could hold 50,000 spectators to watch Gladiators fight.
Roman baths	a building containing many rooms designed for bathing, relaxing and socialising.
Circus Maximus	An amphitheatre in Rome used for chariot races, public games and could hold 150,000 spectators.
theatre	a amphitheatre that would host plays and music.



testudo



centurian



legionary

Circus Maximus