



Rampaging Romans



What should I know already?

The Romans lived in Rome, a city in the middle of Italy. Rome is now the capital of Italy. Their rulers were known as Emperors. Romans were great builders. Today there are still the Remains of Roman Towns in Britain.



Our teachers' are reading this story to us 'Romans on the Rampage', Perilus is a Roman boy who is *crazy* about chariot racing. He loves to practise in his own homemade chariot (pulled by the family goat) and dreams of riding in the Circus Maximus himself one day. But when Perilus's hero, the brilliant charioteer Scorcha, goes missing on the day of the big race, Perilus finds his wish coming true sooner than he'd imagined.

 55 BC Julius Caesar's first invasion of Britain.	 5AD Romans recognise Cunobelinus as King of Britain	 51 AD Caratacus, Cunobelinus's son is defeated, captured and taken to Rome.	 122 AD Hadrian's Wall was built to protect the most northern frontier of their Empire.	 410 AD Britain is independent
 54 BC Julius Caesar's Second invasion of Britain.	 43 AD Under Emperor Claudius, Romans invade. Caratacus leads the resistance.	 61 AD Boudicca, Queen of the Iceni rebels against Britain, but is defeated.	 409 AD Britons expel Roman officials and fight for themselves	

Some Famous People living in Roman Times were Julius Caesar, Augustus, Nero, Claudius, Hadrian, Cleopatra and Queen Boudicca.

Vocabulary

Invaders	People who enter a territory with hostile intent
Settlers	People who choose to stay and live in a place.
Ancient Civilisation	The first settled and stable communities that became the basis for later states, nations and empires.
Route	A way from a starting point to a finishing point
Soldier	Member of an army
Emperor	Ruler of an empire
Decade/Century	10 years/100 years
Chronological	In the order in which things occurred
BC	Before Christ
AD	Anno Domini (After Death)

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

Countries that made up the Roman Empire
 The empire consisted of countries conquered by the Roman Army and a Roman way of life was established in these conquered countries. The main countries conquered were England/Wales (then known as Britannia), Spain (Hispania), France (Gaul or Gallia), Greece (Achaea), the Middle East (Judea) and the North African coastal region.



Continuing Roman Influences

The Romans, even today, play an important part in our lives. Many of the things we do or have originated from the Romans: language, the calendar, roads, central heating.