#### What did the Romans do for Britain?

- In AD410, the Roman Emperor Honorius sent a goodbye letter to the people of Britain. He wrote, "fight bravely and defend your lives...you are on your own now". The city of Rome was under attack and the empire was falling apart, so the Romans had to leave to take care of matters back home. But even after they were gone, the Romans left their mark all over the country. They gave us new towns, plants, animals, a new religion and ways of reading and counting. Even the word 'Britain' came from the Romans.
- Your tasks today will be to create a poster and a non-chronological report about some of the things the Romans did that benefited Britain.
  - 1. Watch these bitesize Videos about what the Romans did for Britain; <u>https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zqtf34j/articles/z2dr4wx</u> <u>https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/clips/z6vb4wx</u>
  - 2. Next read through the information slides below for more information about what the Romans did for Britain.
  - 3. Now using the information you have learnt, create a poster about some of the things that the Romans did for Britain. Remember to make it eye catching using pictures, colours and short, snappy sentences.
  - 4. Next, using this information write a non-chronological report about what the Romans did for Britain. I have included a success criteria in the examples to remind you have what needs to be included.



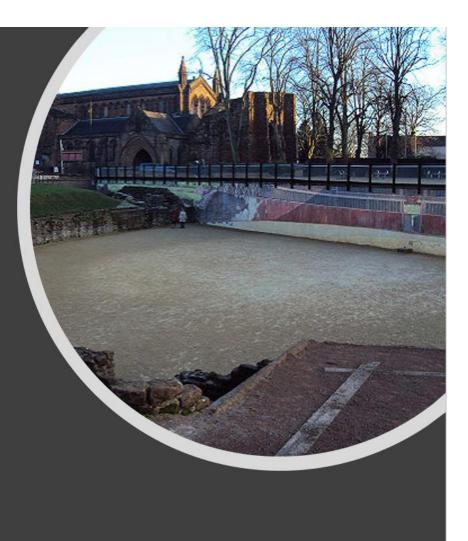
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### Cement and Bricks.

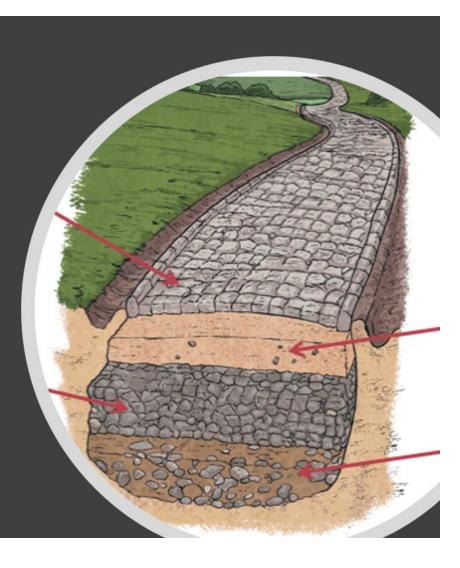
• The Romans invented concrete; it was used to build all over the empire. The concrete foundations of the Roman Amphitheatre in London were found to be 18 meters thick!! They even invented a concrete that could dry out and go hard under water.

• Did you know they even built an ampitheatre in Chester? You can still visit the site today and see the remains.



## Roads

- The Romans didn't invent roads, but they did develop them in a way that we still use today.
- Before the Romans arrived in Britain there were no proper roads.
- Roman roads were famous for being long and straight, this meant that you got to places faster than on a winding road. Many modern-day roads are built over the old Roman ones.
- There were 10,000 miles of Roman roads in Britain.



#### The Calendar

The calendar that we use today is roughly the same as the Roman one. Some of our months are named after Roman Gods and rulers.



Month	Origin
January	Roman God Janus
March	Roman God Mars
May	Roman Goddess Maia
July	Emperor Julius Caesar
August	Emperor Augustus Caesar

#### Coins

- The Romans were the first to introduce coins to Britain.
- Before the Romans, if you wanted something from another person or trader, you would swap things for what you wanted.
- Roman coins showed images of **Empowers.**

#### COMMON COINS OF THE ROMAN EMPIRE









Denarius 211 BCE-241 CE 3g, ~19mm Tremissis 380-367 CE 1.5g, ~14mm





Sestertius 23 BCE-250 CE 20-30g, ~35mm

Siliqua 310-650 CE 1-3g, ~18mm Antoninianus 215-295 CE 3-5g, ~21mm



As 280 BCE-250 CE 9-12g, ~27mm

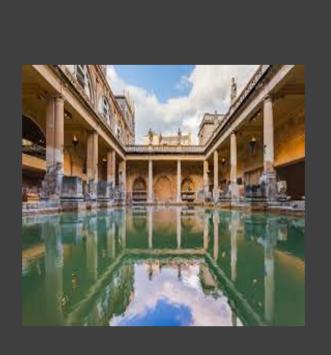






Follis 294-310 CE 5-12g, ~26mm (carly)

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- Roman Baths
  - Roman Baths were like modern day leisure centres. They loved to keep clean and bathing was a sociable experience.
  - It was not just a bath, there were swimming pools, gyms and saunas.
  - They were used for people to stay clean, relax or keep fit.