

Ellie's Roman Empire Expedition

Learning objective: To recall key facts about the Roman Empire and the impact of the Roman occupation on Britain.

Read the questions carefully and test your knowledge of Roman history! Ellie the elephant has been digging through the archives to help you prepare.

Answer Key: 1. B, 2. True, 3. False (The Romans brought the Latin language), 4. A, 5. True, 6. Mosaic, 7. B, 8. Aqueduct, 9. False, 10. True.

Word bank: Hadrian's Wall · aqueduct · centurion · Latin · Londinium · mosaic · toga

1. Which city did the Romans establish as their capital in Britain, known then as Londinium? A) Bath B) London* C) York D) Chester (1 mark)

2. True or False: A centurion was a professional officer in the Roman army. (1 mark)

3. True or False: The Romans spoke English when they arrived in Britain. (1 mark)

4. What was the name of the famous wall built to defend the northern border of Roman Britain? A) Hadrian's Wall* B) Caesar's Barrier C) The Roman Fence D) Augustus's Wall (1 mark)

5. True or False: The Romans built a vast network of straight roads across Britain. (1 mark)

6. What is the name of the decorative art created by arranging small coloured tiles or glass pieces? (1 mark)

7. Which of these was a common Roman building used for public entertainment and gladiator fights? A) A temple B) An amphitheatre* C) A library D) A lighthouse (1 mark)

8. What structure did the Romans use to transport fresh water into their towns? (1 mark)

9. True or False: The Romans were defeated by the Celts immediately upon arrival and never stayed in Britain. (1 mark)

10. 10. True or False: Many modern British towns, especially those ending in '-chester', have Roman origins. (1 mark)

Draw: Draw a Roman soldier standing guard next to a section of a stone wall, or sketch a detailed Roman-style mosaic floor pattern using geometric shapes.



Extension challenge: Research one Roman invention that we still use in some form today. Write a short paragraph explaining how it has changed over time.