Life in Roman Britain: A Historical Report

Learning objective: To write a non-chronological report about the impact of the Roman Empire on Britain.

Use this scaffold to structure your report. Remember to include formal language, technical vocabulary, and clear subheadings to organise your facts about Roman life.

When the Romans arrived in Britain in AD 43, they brought with them new technologies, architecture, and cultural traditions that transformed the landscape forever.

Word bank: Furthermore · Consequently · In addition · Archaeological evidence · Significantly · However · This suggests that · Conversely · Although

1. Introduction: Briefly describe who the Romans were and why they travelled to Britain. Start with: The Roman Empire was a powerful force that... (2 marks)

2. Roman Inventions and Infrastructure: Describe how the Romans changed British towns. Start with: One of the most significant changes introduced by the Romans was the construction of... (3 marks)

3. Daily Life: Explain what life was like for someone living in a Roman-style villa or town. Start with: For those living in Roman Britain, daily life was often centred around... (3 marks)

4. The Roman Military: Explain the role of the legions. Start with: The Roman army played a crucial role in maintaining control by... (2 marks)

5. Conclusion: Summarise the legacy of the Romans in Britain today. Start with: In conclusion, the influence of the Romans remains visible today because... (2 marks)

Extension challenge: Imagine you are Ellie the elephant researching history. Write a short diary entry from the perspective of a Roman soldier stationed at Hadrian's Wall, describing the cold weather and the sight of the stone fortifications.