

Vocabulary

Key Word	Definition
emperor	A male ruler of several countries
governor	A ruler of an area of an empire who reports to the emperor
alliance	To join together for mutual benefit (usually countries or organisations)
Civil war	A war between armies of the same country or group.
occupation	To invade another country and remain there to rule it.
legion	A unit of Approx. 5000 men both infantry and cavalry.
infantry	Soldiers who fight on foot in an army.
tactics	A strategy to win a battle.
annex	To add land to your own by using military force.
conquer	To take control by military force.

Knowledge Organiser History – The Romans Themes: Exploration & Invasion, Power



The Roman Empire in the time of Emperor Claudius

Key Questions

What do we know about early Rome and how do we know this?

Who was in charge of the Roman Empire?

How powerful was the Roman army?

What events led up to Emperor Claudius invading Britain?

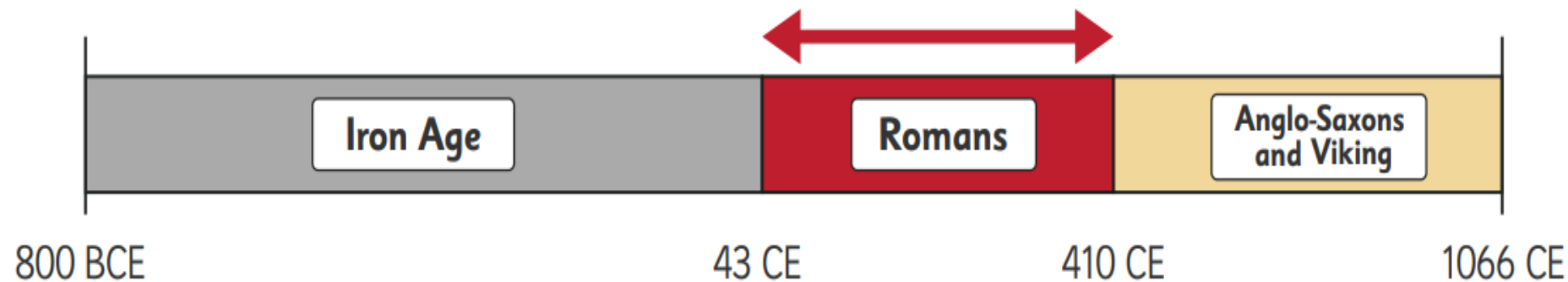
• How did the Roman settlements compare to the Celtic villages?

• Who was Boudicca and why did she take revenge on the Romans?

• How did the Romans protect their land and how do we know this?

• What happened in the final years of the Roman Empire?

• What was life like in the different regions of England during the Roman era?



Legionary

An expert soldier who was the very best at hand-to-hand combat. These units often had unbreakable lines of defence.

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aristocracy	a class of people who have a high social position because of the family they are born into
barbarian	a rough, crude person.
capital	the city where the government of a country is located
emperor	the male ruler of an empire
empire	a group of nations or peoples under one ruler
hostile	feeling or showing dislike; unfriendly.
idol	a statue or image of a god that is used as an object of worship.
invasion	an act or instance of invading by an enemy or hostile army.
kingdom	a country that is ruled by a king or queen.
legion	an army unit in ancient Rome that was made up of soldiers on foot and on horseback.
raid	a sudden, surprise attack.

Knowledge Organiser History – Anglo-Saxons and Vikings Themes: Exploration and Invasion



<p>117 CE Roman Empire at its height</p> <p>Romans</p>	<p>500 CE – 927 CE The Heptarchy of England</p> <p>Anglo-Saxons and Vikings</p>	<p>1066 CE The battle of Hastings</p>
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Key Questions

- What was life like in England at the end of the 4th Century?
- How did life change in England after the fall of the Roman Empire?
- Why did the Angles, Saxons and Jutes settle in Britain?
- How was Anglo-Saxon Britain ruled?
- How did the Anglo-Saxons keep control of their kingdoms?
- What shifts in religion and power were there and how do we know this?
- Who were the Vikings and why did they carry out raids?
- Where did the Vikings settle and who was in charge at the time?

