



Can you remember the story of
Boudicca's revolt?



Share your comic strip
from last week with
someone in your
household...

Emperor Claudius' successful invasion of Britain and defeat of the Celtic fighters was due to the well-trained, professional soldiers wearing strong armour that made up the Roman army.

What do you think a Roman soldier looks like?
What armour did they wear and carry?

Have a go at a quick drawing of what you imagine or what you remember seeing..



How did you do?



Let's look in more detail at the soldier's uniform...

Roman Soldier Uniform



Clothing

Linen undershirt

Tunic made of wool



Body Armour

The body armour was made from overlapping iron strips.

The iron strips were fastened with hooks and laces at the front and hinged at the back.

The strips were held together with leather strips on the inside so that the armour would be flexible so the soldier could bend.

The whole of the body armour was strengthened by front and back iron plates below the neck.



Cassis

The helmet of a roman soldier was named a cassis.

It was made of metal.

It was designed to protect the head from sword blows.





Scutum

The shield was called a scutum.
It was quite light so it could be held in one hand.

It was curved so that it would fit around a soldiers body to protect from blows.

It was wide enough so that soldiers could join their scutums together in formation in battle.

The metal protrusion on the front could also be used to attack the enemy by using it in a punching motion.



Caligae

Roman sandals were called caligae.

They were made from different thicknesses of leather.

Hobnails (metal studs) were attached to the sole of the sandal so that it would not wear easily, it could be used on rough ground and also for striking enemies with after they had fallen.



What about the
Celts?
How did their battle
attire compare?



Celtic warrior



Roman Soldier

List the similarities and differences...

Celtic warrior and Roman soldier

Comparison Worksheet

Similarities

Differences



Celtic warrior



Roman Soldier

Now it's your turn...

Date: _____ Name: _____

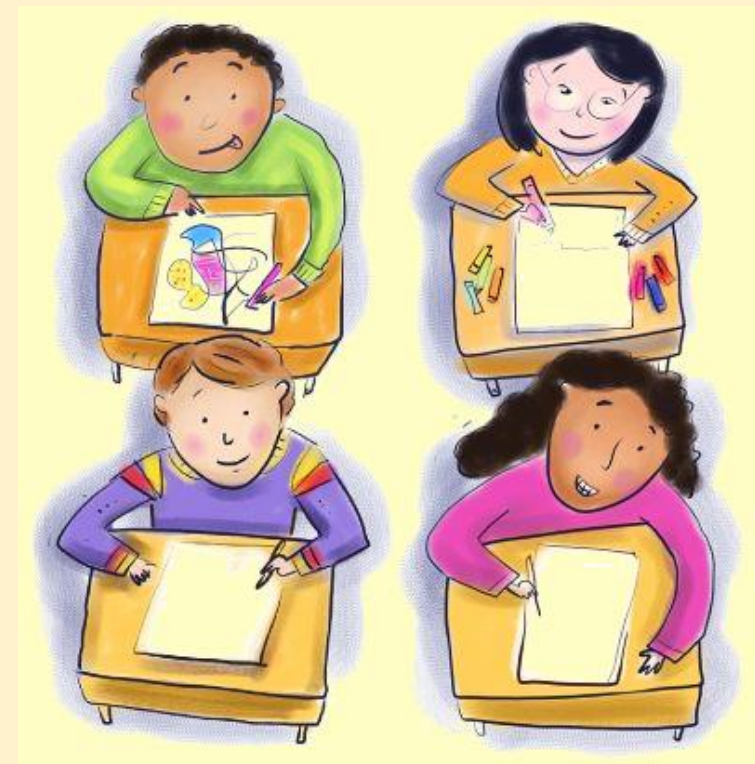
WALT: What the Roman soldiers wear in battle?



1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
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6. _____
7. _____

Complete the Roman soldier worksheet and explain the different parts of the uniform

The worksheet is on the school website



Self-assess using smiley faces

