Curriculum Visions Lesson 3

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History

The Romans in Britain

Pages 20-25

Everything here is based on our Curriculum Visions book The Romans in Britain.

In this segment we are going to think about how the Romans designed forts and walls.

Part 1

Turn to page 20

What was the purpose of a Roman fort?

Answer.....

To provide a secure base for the troops and also protect vital supplies such as grain.

What was the most important building inside the fort called?

Answer.....

Fort headquarters- principia

How were some parts of the fort heated?

Answer.....

Using underfloor hot air, a hypocaust system.

Part 2

Turn to page 22

Name three major Roman Roads

Answer.....

Dene St, Fosse Way, Watling St.

How was a Roman road made?

Answer.....

Using flat cobbles on the domed surface (cambered) with drainage ditches to either side. Under the cobbles was a foundation of rubble (something nowadays we would call nogging).

Part 3

Turn to page 24

Describe how many lines of defence were at Hadrian's wall

Answer.....

In front of the wall there was a ditch an embankment. Behind the wall there was a further double ditch and embankment.

What were the two walls built by the Romans in Britain? What was the difference between them?

Answer.....

Hadrian's Wall (built mostly of stone) and the Antonine Wall (built mostly of soil and turf)

Part 3

Explore

Answer.....

The foundations as we see them give the ground plan. We can see hinge holes telling that there were gates. But the upper part is unknown, as are the wooden inside buildings. These are reconstructed based on more intact examples elsewhere, on the assumption that the Romans used the same design everywhere.

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