

The Roman alphabet

Here are the letters of the Roman alphabet:

A B C D E F G
H I K L M N O
P Q R S T V X Z

Note that: I and J are both written as I.
V and U are both written as V.
W and Y are not in the alphabet.

1. Write your name using the Roman alphabet.



2. (a) Is it different from the normal way you write your name?



(b) If so how?



3. Write down the name of your street or road using the Roman alphabet



4. Write down the name of your town using the Roman alphabet.



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Age range

- Years 3/4 (SP4/5).

Resources

A copy of the worksheet.

Using the worksheet

If you have tried the activity **7A** about story telling this activity provides a sharp contrast between the British and Roman culture.

Although aimed at younger students, older students studying the Romans for the first time may find the activity interesting.

Younger students

Let the students work through the questions to explore how the Roman alphabet differs from the alphabet they usually use. You may wish to link this with the Roman numbers activity **3c** so that the students can write down their addresses.

Outcomes

The students can:

- Use the Roman alphabet.
- Tell how the Roman alphabet differs from the one we use today.

Note: A Roman numeral number cruncher is available on the www.curriculumvisions.com web site. Just go to the 'Romans' support section.