

Kit Out a Roman Soldier



Objective

- To learn about Roman soldiers' equipment, armour and weapons.



Equipment

- Enrich School Orienteering Map
- Orienteering control markers
- Activity Sheet
- Answer Sheet
- Roman soldier kit pictures



Preparation

- Teachers can use the prepared Activity Sheet.
- Alternatively, they can select a specific set of orienteering control points for this activity and insert the numbers for these control points into the editable Activity Sheet.
- Divide children into groups (5/6 children?)
- Provide each group with a copy of the Activity Sheet and an Enrich School Orienteering Map.
- At a central point in the playing area, there should be a complete set of seven Roman soldier kit pictures for each group.
- Explain to children how to complete their Activity Sheet.



Instructions

- Children use their school orienteering map to locate the control points identified on their Activity Sheet.
- Each control point is linked to the name of a piece of equipment for a Roman soldier.
- At each control point, they use the 3rd letter from the orienteering marker to identify the correct Roman name for the piece of equipment.
- They write the Roman name on their Activity Sheet next to the piece of equipment.
- They then run to the central point in the playing area and collect the piece of equipment for their Roman soldier.
- They continue until they have collected each of the seven pieces of equipment for their soldier.



Other information

- This activity could be used to introduce (or follow on from) children's research into Roman soldiers – their training and equipment.

