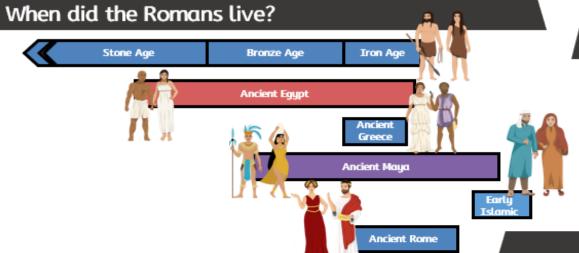
Ancient Rome



Where did the Romans live?



At its peak, the Roman world covered parts of Europe, northern Africa and western Asia.

How did ancient Rome change over time? The 'Romans' were a diverse group

- The Roman empire covered a large area of land, which included lots of people. Many languages were spoken.
- · The 'Romans' includes different groups of people, who would have all had different experiences:
 - Citizens, including patricians (richer), plebeians (poorer) and **legionary** soldiers.
 - Non-citizens, including auxiliary soldiers and slaves, and other people who lived in lands taken over by the Romans.

The Roman world changed over time:

- Its government changed. Kings were replaced by a republic. which was replaced by a dictatorship, which became an empire.
- · Its religious beliefs changed. Early Roman religion drew on ancient Greek gods. Later, Christianity became the official religion of the empire.
- It developed ideas in science and technology, like roads and medicine – but Romans often borrowed and built upon the ideas of other civilisations!