



Following Orders

The soldiers in Gelligaer were auxiliaries. This means that they may have come from any part of the Roman Empire. They may not have spoken Latin in their everyday lives but they had to learn how to follow Latin commands. Below are some of the commands that were used.

Take a good look at them and what they meant. The teacher will choose one of you to come out and give a command (or perhaps a few). You will give the command you have chosen and the others must listen to you.

If they are not sure what the command means, they should look on the sheet to find it and see how quick they can be to obey.

Surgite	Stand!
Genua flectite	Kneel!
State	Attention!
Procidite Attente	Move – March!
Consistite	Halt!
Ad Dextrum Clina	Turn to the right!
Ad Sinistrum Clina	Turn to the left!
Transformate Clina	Turn to face the opposite direction!
Accelerate	Quick march!
Tardate	Slow Down
Mittite	Throw
Gladios Stringite	Draw Swords!
Gladios Condite	Sheath Swords
Laxate	At Ease!