



Roman Place Names

We don't know what the Romans called Gelligaer, or a lot of the other places where they left remains, but we do know what name they gave to some other places.

Use the internet to fill in the blanks in the grid below. When you have finished the grid, find a map of Wales and mark these Roman sites on the map.

Modern Name	Roman Name
Caerhun	
	Isca Silurium
Caernarvon	
Caerwent	
	Moridunum
Usk	
Y Gaer (near Brecon)	
	Segontium
	Leucarum
Neath	
	Gobbanium

Think and find out:

Look at the modern place names. What can you notice about the beginning of a lot of them? Can you find three other Welsh place names with the same beginning? Try to find out whether or not the Romans were there.

Try to find three other places in Wales where the Romans were definitely present but where the place name doesn't have the same beginning.