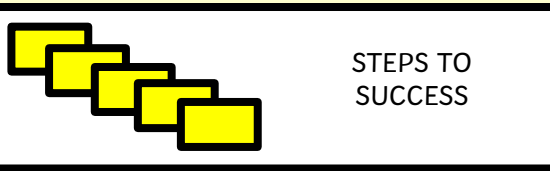


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Skill - Describing significant people



I can explain who the
Celts were.

I can identify
significant Celtic
people.

I can retell the story of
a significant Celtic
person - Boudicca.

Activating Prior
Knowledge



What significant people
from the past do you
already know?

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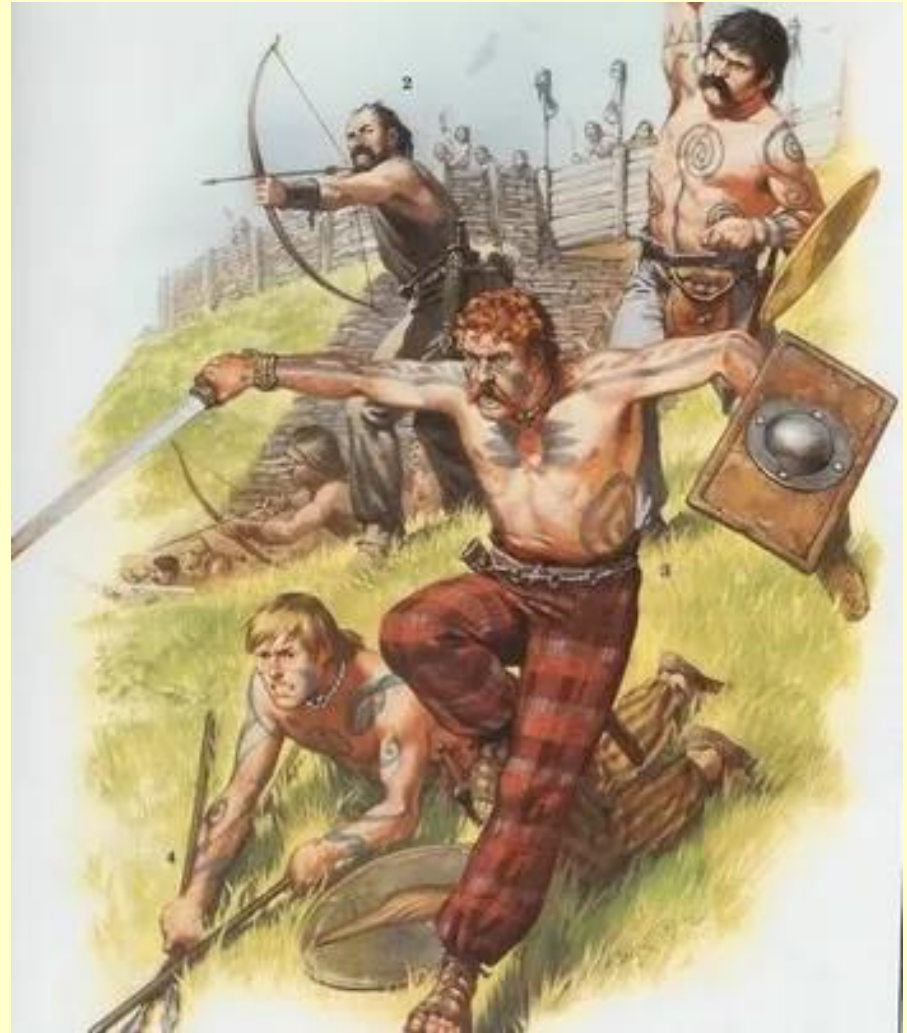
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I can explain who the
Celts were.

Today we're going to learn a
little bit about Celtic warriors.

We'll learn even more about
them in another topic later in
the year!

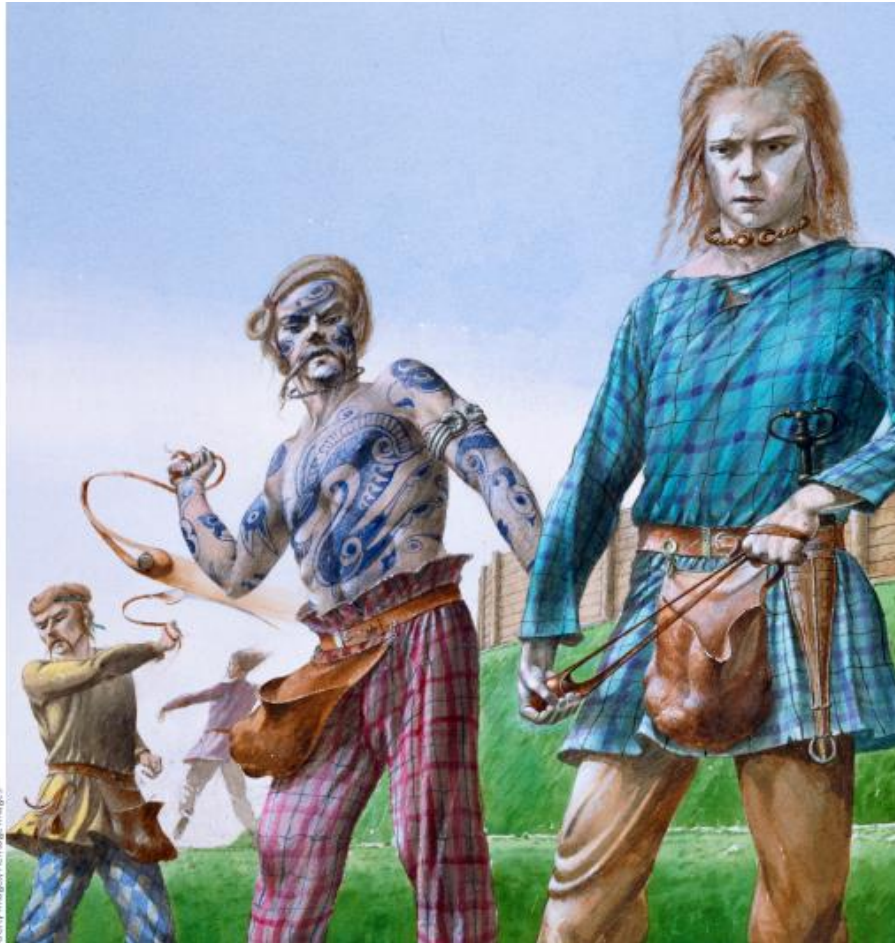


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Historical sources show that the Celts had a warrior culture. Men, women and children fought in battles against other tribes. They practised fighting skills and were expected to be courageous in battle.



The Celts must have been a fearsome sight for their enemies. They often chose not to wear armour, because they believed they were protected by the gods of war. However, they did wear torcs around their necks. They believed that the pieces of gold jewellery offered them magical protection and showed their enemies how rich and powerful they were.

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Celtic warriors rode on chariots with their enemies' heads hanging around their horses' necks. They screamed battle cries, blew the loud carnyx horn and rattled their swords against their shields. This noise and confusion, together with their tactic of the mass charge, often panicked the enemy.

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The best warriors were treated like heroes. The bravest warrior of the day was awarded a hero's portion at that evening's feast.

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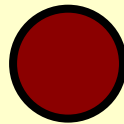
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There is one very **significant** Celtic warrior, who was part of a tribe called the Iceni...

Boudicca!

Watch the video below to find out about Boudicca's life and why she was **significant**!



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Who was Boudicca?



- Boudicca was the wife of Prasutagus, the ruler of a Celtic tribe called the Iceni.
- The Iceni lived in a region of Britain that is now called East Anglia.

EXTRA INFORMATION

Prasutagus and the Romans Agreement

- When Romans settled in the South of England in 43 AD they made an agreement with Prasutagus so that he would be able to continue as ruler of the Iceni.
- When Prasutagus died, the Romans turned on the Iceni.
- They stole from the Iceni tribesmen, made people slaves and they had Boudicca whipped.



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The Rebellion

- In about 60 AD, the Roman governor was sent to North Wales to lead an army.
- While he was away Boudicca led an attack against the tribe's Roman rulers with several other tribes. Her army was called the Britons.
- They managed to destroy Camulodunum (Colchester), the capital of Roman Britain and defeated the Roman IX legion.



EXTRA INFORMATION

Attack on Londinium

- Hearing the news, the Roman governor rushed back from Wales.
- He tried to evacuate Londinium (London) as he guessed this would be the Britons next target.
- Boudicca and her army destroyed Londinium and Verulamium (St Albans).
- People believe that over 70,000 people were killed in the attacks by the Britons.



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Defeat



- The Roman army regrouped in the Midlands and finally defeated the Britons in the battle of Watling Street.
- No one knows what really happened to Boudicca. Some say she killed herself when she knew the Romans had defeated her, others say she fell ill and died.

EXTRA INFORMATION

The Legend



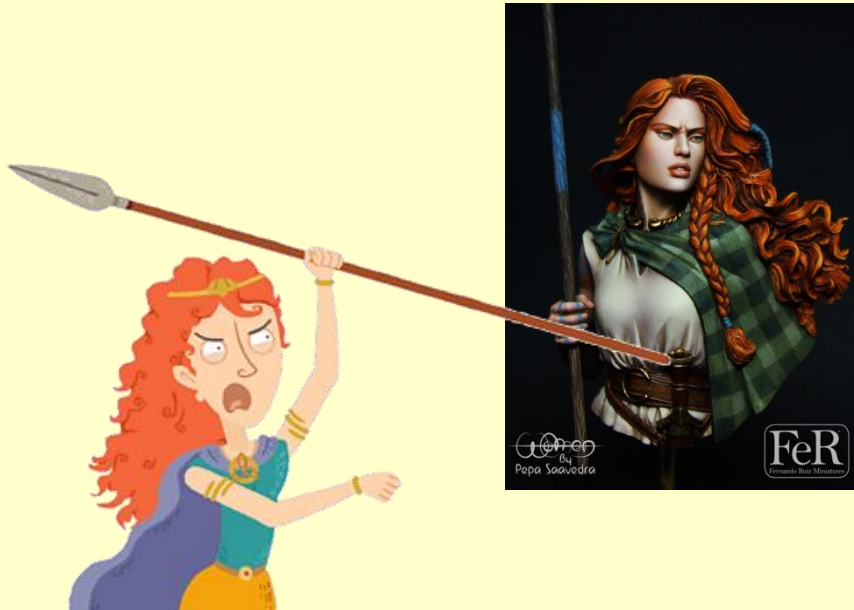
Boudicca is a heroine because she achieved a lot and fought for her country, for her people and for herself. Although she lost the final battle, she never let the Romans conquer her.

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Your task for this lesson is to draw a picture of Boudicca, using what you know about how the Celtic warriors dressed and the pictures on this page to help you. Add facts about Boudicca around or underneath your picture.



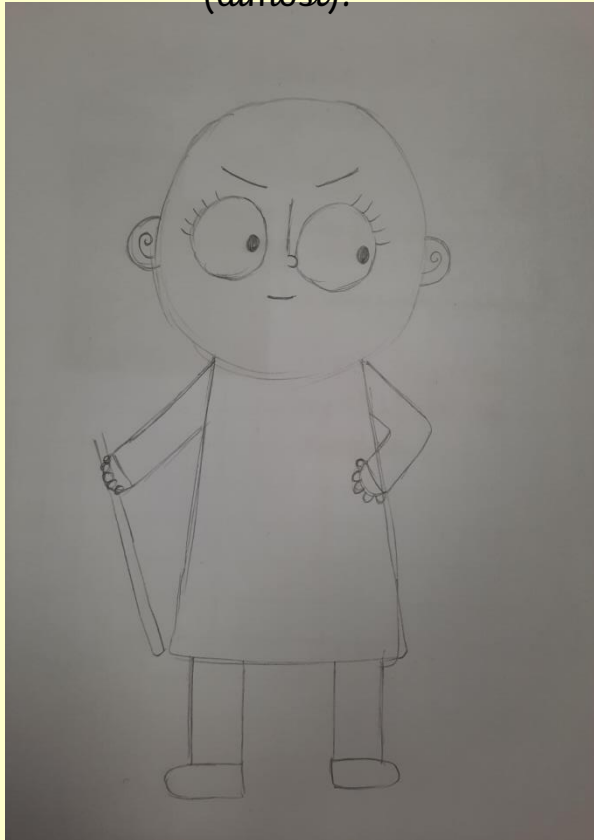
Below this slide is a link to Rob Biddulph's self-portrait video. I've used it to help me draw a person and then have added details to make my person look like Boudicca.

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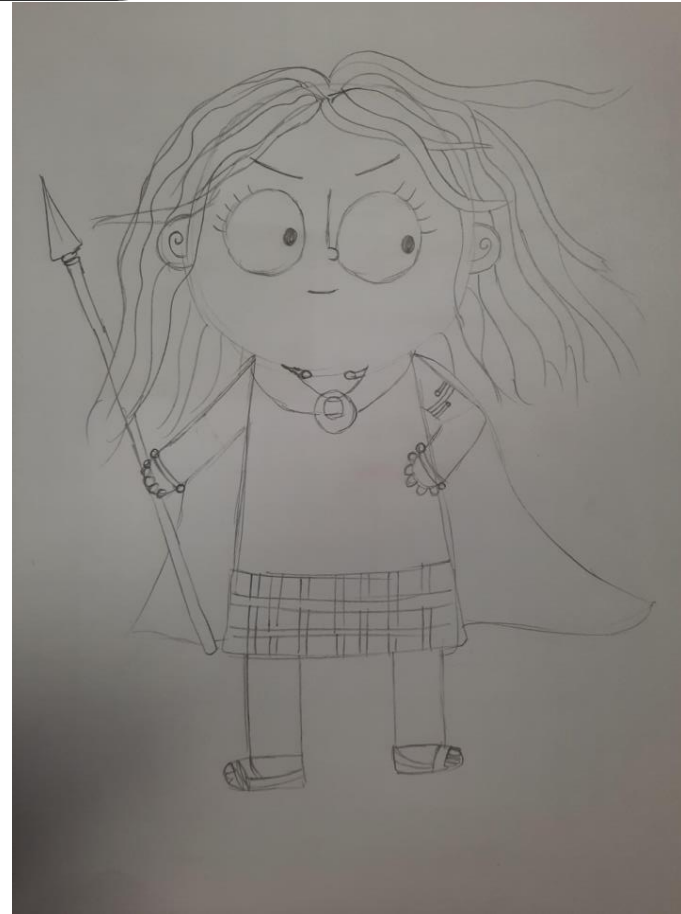
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Here's my drawing after
following Rob's instructions
(almost).



Boudicca was the
leader of the Iceni tribe
after her husband
died.



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How did you do?

Were there any other history skills we had to use?

What have you learnt about our significant person, Boudicca?