

# Unit 05: The Romans - Encounters with the Britons - Caesar: The Gallic Wars - Book VI Chapters 13-20

Content Area: **World Languages**  
Course(s): **Latin III H**  
Time Period: **Semester 2**  
Length: **7 weeks**  
Status: **Published**

## Unit Introduction

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Introduction to the Britons, ethnic Celts, and religious practices of the Celts - namely the Druids.

Caesar's Gallic Wars - Book VI: Chapters 13-20

Students will gain a basic understanding of:

- The Celts and the regions that inhabited in the ancient world
- The Britons and how/why Caesar went to Britain
- The Druids and the religious practices of the Celts
- Caesar as ethnographer
- Translation - The Gallic Wars - Book VI: Chapters 13-20

English Readings include:

- Caesar - The Gallic Wars - Books V and VI

## Standards:

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FL.9-12.7.1.IM.A.1	Compare and contrast information contained in culturally authentic materials using electronic information sources related to targeted themes.
FL.9-12.7.1.IM.A.8	Use knowledge of structures of the target language to deduce meaning of new and unfamiliar structures.
FL.9-12.7.1.IM.A.A.1	Identify the main idea and some supporting details when reading.
FL.9-12.7.1.IM.A.A.3	Infer the meaning of some unfamiliar words when used in familiar contexts.
FL.9-12.7.1.IM.C.4	Synthesize information found in age- and level-appropriate culturally authentic materials.
FL.9-12.7.1.IM.C.5	Compare the cultural perspectives of the target culture(s) with those of one's own culture, as evidenced through the cultural products and cultural practices associated with each.
FL.K-12.7.1.A-C.d	When does accuracy matter?
FL.K-12.7.1.A-C.e	How does the content of the world languages classroom help me understand who I am and the world in which I live?
FL.K-12.7.2.A-C.1	Language reflects and is influenced by the culture in which it is found.

## Essential Questions

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- Who were the Celts?
- Where did the Celts live?
- Why did Caesar want to record the customs of the Celts?
- Who were the Druids?
- What function did the Druids serve in society?
- What does Caesar say about their religion?
- How does it differ from what we know about Roman religion?

## Content/Skills

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Content:

- The Ancient Celts
- Ethnography and Caesar's take on other cultures
- Books V and VI of the Caesar - The Gallic Wars
- Translation of Caesar - Gallic Wars - Book VI - Chapters 13-20

Resources:

- Hans-Fredrich Mueller, *Caesar: Selections from De Bello Gallico* (Relevant sections)
- Rose Williams and Debra L. Nosek - *A Caesar Workbook* (Relevant sections)
- Jane P. Gardner and S.A. Handford - *The Conquest of Gaul* (Relevant sections)
- Geoffrey Steadman - *College Caesar: Latin Text with Facing Vocabulary and Commentary* (Relevant sections)