

What have the Romans ever done for us?

What are the most significant achievements of Ancient Rome? Use a **Diamond 9** to show your views.

A. The Romans built public fountains so that people could easily access fresh water.

B. Roman architecture has features that are still being used today e.g. thick pillars, rounded arches and domes.

C. The Romans gave us the modern 12 month calendar. July is named after Julius Caesar.

D. The Romans built 84,800 kilometres of roads. They used concrete, sand and gravel to build roads. Many of these roads are the basis of roads across Europe today.

G. Romans planned new towns in a grid pattern. This has been copied by many of the world's modern cities e.g. Washington.

F. Roman numerals are still used today. They are often seen on buildings.

E. The Romans founded many of Europe's biggest cities, including London and Paris.

H. The Romans spoke Latin. Many European languages are based on Latin, including French Italian and Portuguese.

I. After Emperor Constantine legalised Christianity, it spread rapidly through the known world.