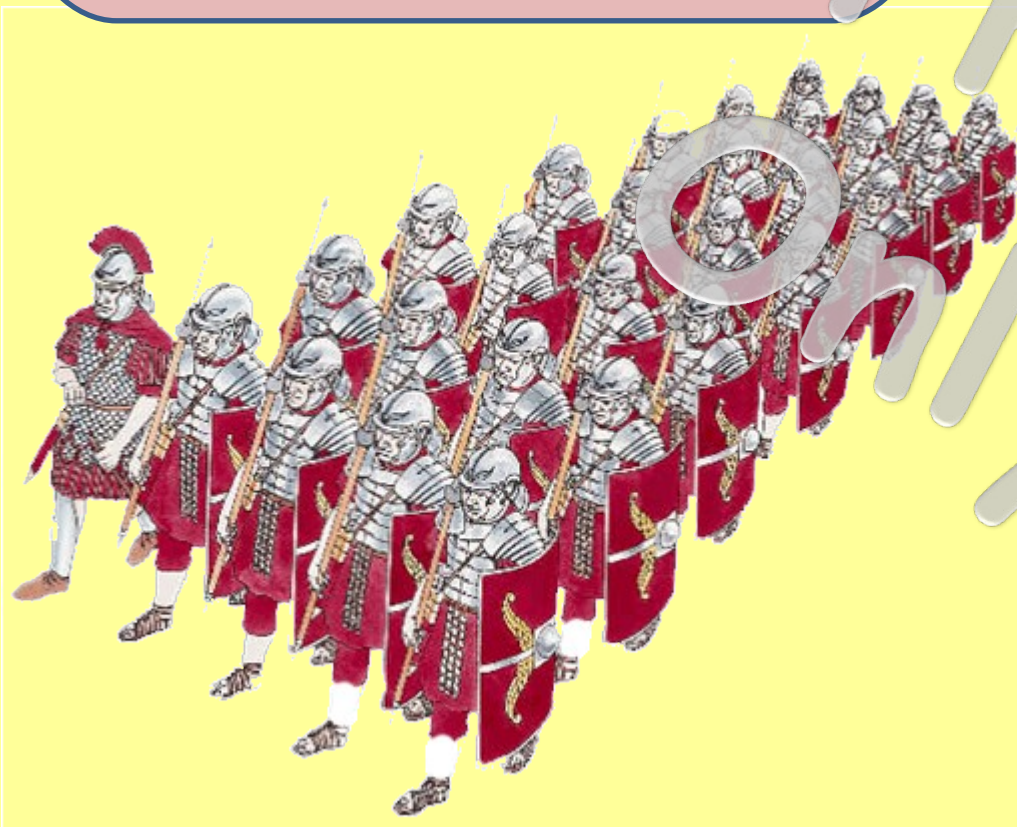




Types of Roman Army Soldiers

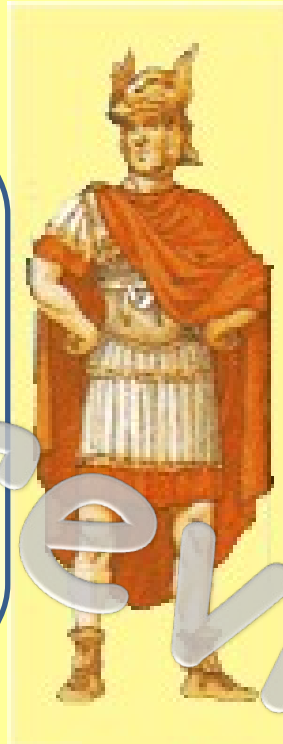


There were many different types of soldiers in the army. Rank and structure were very important to the Roman Army. Without it, the army would not have been very effective.



Tribune

An officer who helped the legatus to run the legion. Each legion had six tribunes.



Legate

An experienced officer who commanded a legion.



Praefectus Castrorum

A senior officer in charge in training and organising the legion.



Centurion

The leader of a century.



Primus Pilus

The senior centurion in a legion.



Legionary

A foot soldier. Only Roman citizens could be legionaries.



Aquilifer

The standard bearer who carried the legion's precious golden eagle during battle.



Signifer

A standard bearer who carried the emblem of a century.



Auxiliary

A non-citizen who fought in the army.



Cornicen

A horn blower who sent signals during battles.



Cavalry Soldier

A soldier who fought on horseback.