

Watch the video and fill in the missing words.

London is one of the most 1) _____ cities of the modern world. While being one of the most 2) _____ tourist 3) _____, London also has a great political and 4) _____ influence worldwide. And for several 5) _____ the capital city of the British 6) _____ was the centre of the world with no competition. It's hard to imagine that around 2,000 years ago this 7) _____ city was just a 8) _____ outpost town for another great world 9) _____ of its time, the Roman Empire. Romans 10) _____ the city about 50 AD and called it Londinium. They decided that it was a great 11) _____ to build a port. By the end of the second century Roman London had a population of 45,000 and a 20 foot high 12) _____ around it. Like most of the other Roman cities it had a 13) _____, public baths, and an amphitheatre 14) _____ to Roman Colosseum that could hold 8,000 people and was hosting gladiator fights. Although modern London is 15) _____ bigger these days, Roman London still 16) _____ at the heart of it, but is more known as the Square Mile or the City of London, or just the City, the well-known 17) _____ centre of United Kingdom. Although being a part of London, City is officially a 18) _____ county and has a dedicated 19) _____ and local authorities, but back to Romans. When the Empire was 20) _____, Rome refused to send new soldiers to London and by 407 AD the city was completely 21) _____. For the next 600 or so years the area was torn between the Angles, the Saxons, the Jutes, and the Vikings. These were the centuries of constant 22) _____ and clashes of cultures. In the 1040s King Edward the Confessor 23) _____ his court to Westminster Abbey, and so London became a 24) _____ city. Soon another group of invaders, Normans, 25) _____ Westminster Abbey and crowned their King William there. William built a castle and a 26) _____ for himself from which he 27) _____ his newly conquered territories. His home is now known as the Tower of London.