

Year 5 -Term 5 and 6

History



The Vikings – Were the Vikings Vicious?

Curriculum Key Question:
Where have we come from?
Topic: Were the Vikings vicious?

What should I already know?

Year 4 – Anglo-Saxon Invasion of Britain.

The invasion of Britain by the Angles, Saxons and Jutes.

What life was like in Britain at the time of the Anglo-Saxon Invasion.

How the Anglo-Saxons ruled Britain.

Know the significance of King Alfred.

Historical skills:

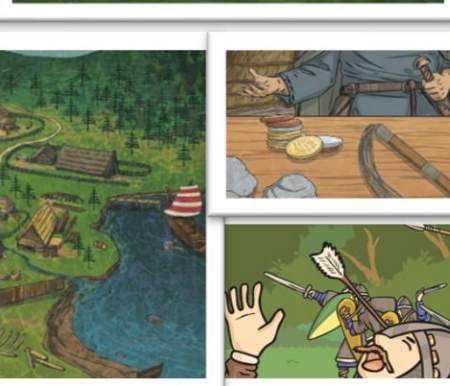
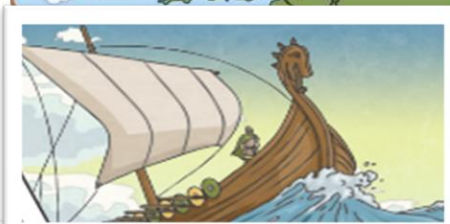
Explain where and why some Viking raids or attacks took place.

Describe in greater detail the influence and actions of some of the main Anglo-Saxon kings and be able to explain concepts such as Danegeld and wergild.

Compare and contrast aspects of AngloSaxon, Viking and modern-day everyday life e.g. religion, cultural traditions and crime and punishments.

Timeline of Key Events.

AD 401- AD 410	The Romans withdraw from Britain.
AD 450	Anglo-Saxon Invaders arrive in Britain.
AD 600	Anglo-Saxons gradually take over Britain.
AD 633	Lindisfarne monastery built.
AD 793	The Vikings attack the Monastery at Lindisfarne. The Vikings attack and capture the city of York.
AD 871	Alfred the Great becomes King of Wessex.
AD 866	The Vikings and King Alfred divide England.
AD 954	Eric Bloodaxe is forced out of York
AD 1013	King Sven becomes King of England.
AD 1014	King Sven dies and Ethelred returns as King
AD 1016 – AD 1035	King Cnut becomes king of England
AD 1035	Harold Harefoot and Hardicanute share ruling England.
AD 1042	Edward the confessor becomes King
AD 1066	Harold Godwinson becomes king and then is killed by William the conqueror at the battle of Hastings.
AD 1066	William the Conqueror becomes king of England.



Key Vocabulary (including definition)

Raid	A surprise attack or visit.
Invade	To enter and occupy land.
Scandinavia	This area is made up of the Countries: Denmark, Sweden and Norway
Edward the Elder	Anglo-Saxon King and son of Alfred the Great
Aethelflaed	Eldest daughter of Alfred the Great – ruled Mercia
Athelstan	King of the English and son of Edward the Elder
King Ethelred II	King of the English
Danegeld	An Anglo-Saxon tax to pay Vikings.
Saga	A long story of heroic achievement .
Runes	Viking letters of the alphabet
Danelaw	The area in Britain that the Vikings ruled.
Lindisfarne	The first place in Britain Vikings raided.
Wergild	A payment system used to settle disputes between a criminal and the victim or their family.
Pagan	A religion where many gods and goddesses are worshipped.
Trade	The exchange of goods for money or other goods.
Long Ship	A ship used by Vikings for raids
Longhouse	Vikings lived in a long, narrow building called a longhouse.