

History Knowledge Organiser

The Vikings

Year 5

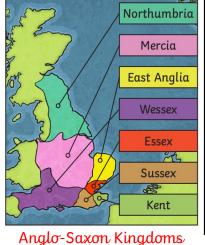




What will we be learning?

- How reliable is the information we have?
- Why did so many Vikings leave home?
- What can we learn from historical artifacts?
- How can I make a Viking Shield?
- Was Alfred the "Great" really "Great"?

settled permanently in Britain.



What do I Already Know?

- The Anglo-Saxons made up of Angles, Jutes and Saxons invaded and settled in Britain between 449 and 550 AD.
- Britain was not a united nation, it was split into seven different Kingdoms which each had its own king.
- The Anglo-Saxons belonged to Christianity.

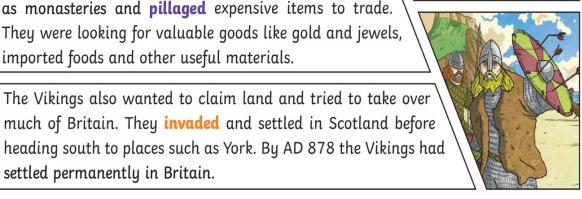
Historical Glossary	
Primary Source	An artifact, document, diary, manuscript, autobiography, recording, or any other source of information that was created at the time of the historical event.
Secondary Source	A source of information that was created later by someone who did not experience first-hand or participate in the event.
Artifacts	An object made by a human being that has cultural of historical significance

The Early Vikings

The Vikings came from the modern Scandinavian countries of Denmark, Norway and Sweden. They travelled in boats called longships and first arrived in Britain around AD 787. The Vikings raided places such as monasteries and pillaged expensive items to trade. They were looking for valuable goods like gold and jewels, imported foods and other useful materials.

The Vikings also wanted to claim land and tried to take over much of Britain. They **invaded** and settled in Scotland before





Key Vocabulary:	
Vikings	The name given to the people who travelled from Denmark, Norway and Sweden and settled in Britain around AD 787.
Longship	A long, wooden, narrow boat used by the Vikings.
Pillaged	To violently steal something.
Raid	A surprise attack.
Invade	To enter and occupy land.
Shield	A broad piece of metal or another suitable material, held by straps or a handle attached on one side, used as a protection
Monastery	A building occupied by a community of monks living under religious vows.
Monk	A member of a male religious community