

Big Question: Were the Vikings always vicious and

Year: 6

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What? (Key knowledge)

Who? (key people)

Viking and Anglo-Saxon struggle for the Kingdom of England to the time of Edward the Confessor:

Viking raids and invasion

Resistance by Alfred the Great and Athelstan, first king of England

Further Viking invasions and Danegeld

Anglo-Saxon laws and justice

Edward the Confessor and his death in 1066

Alfred the Great

Athelstan, first King of England

Edward the Confessor

Erik the Red

Cnut the Great

Harold Godwinson

Harold Hardrada

William the Conqueror

Curriculum Coverage

Place current study on time line in relation to other studies.

Use relevant dates and terms.

Sequence up to 10 events on a time line.

Find out about beliefs, behaviour and characteristics of people, recognising that not everyone shares the same views and feelings.

Write another explanation of a past event in terms of cause and effect using evidence to support and illustrate their explanation.

Know key dates, characters and events of time studied.

Link sources and work out how conclusions were arrived at.

Consider ways of checking the accuracy of interpretations – fact or fiction and opinion.

Be aware that different evidence will lead to different conclusions.

Confidently use the library and internet for research.

Recognise primary and secondary sources.

Select and organise information to produce structured work, making appropriate use of dates and terms.

Images



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| What? (Key vocabulary) | |
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| Word | Definition |
| a monastery | a building where people worship and devote their time to God |
| the missionaries | people sent to promote a religion, especially Christianity |
| Scandinavia | The area is made up of the countries: Norway, Sweden and Denmark |
| a settlement | a place where people have come to live |
| conquer | to get something by force |
| a pagan | a person who believes in many gods |
| a kingdom | a country whose ruler is a monarch (a king or queen) |
| the runes | Viking letters of the alphabet |
| the Danelaw | the area in Britain that was ruled by the Vikings |
| a Viking longship | a ship used by the Vikings for raids |
| a realm | an area ruled by a monarch (king or queen) |
| a ritual | a ceremony or series of acts performed in the same way |
| a treaty | a written agreement between two or more states |
| a raid | a surprise attack |
| a massacre | the killing of many people |
| a Berserker | a terrifying Viking warrior |
| Valhalla | the place that the Vikings believed they went to when they died |
| a Knarr | a Viking trading ship |
| Danegeld | land tax to raise funds for protection against Vikings |
| excavate | to uncover by digging |
| an archaeologist | an expert who studies objects from the past |