

Knowledge Organiser - The Vikings

The Vikings' homeland was Scandinavia: modern Norway, Sweden and Denmark. From around 860AD onwards, Vikings stayed, settled and prospered in Britain, becoming part of the mix of people who today make up the British nation. In 793 came the first recorded Viking raid, where 'on the Ides of June the harrying of the heathen destroyed God's church on Lindisfarne, bringing ruin and slaughter' (*The Anglo-Saxon Chronicle*). These ruthless pirates continued to make regular raids around the coasts of England, looting treasure and other goods, and capturing people as slaves. Monasteries were often targeted, for their precious silver or gold chalices, plates, bowls and crucifixes.



Significant People and Places



Lindisfarne	Jorvik	King Alfred the Great	Valhalla
A monastery which was the Vikings first invasion of England.	The city of York.	King of England who formed a treaty with the Vikings.	Odin's majestic hall where brave warriors spend their afterlife.

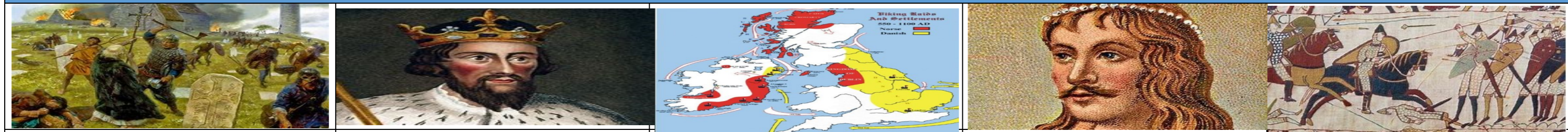


Odin	Thor	Scandinavia	Battle of Hastings
Odin is chief of the Viking gods. He was the god of poetry, wine, knowledge and war.	Thor was Odin's son and was the god of strength and thunder.	Scandinavia is made up of 3 countries Norway, Sweden and Denmark.	The battle took place in 1066 and the Normans took over Britain.

Key Vocabulary

1	chieftain	the leader of a village or small group of people.
2	Danelaw	The area of England ruled by the Vikings.
3	longship	a Viking ship with a sail and oars.
4	monastery	the building where monks live.
5	runes	the name given to the Viking alphabet.
6	treaty	a formal agreement made by leaders.
7	Valhalla	Odin's dining hall where great warriors are sent.
8	shield	a broad piece of metal used for protection in combat.
9	hull	the body of a boat.
10	norse	The language Vikings spoke.

Timeline



AD 793 -The Vikings attack from Norway and launch the attack on Lindisfarne	AD871-886 Alfred the Great becomes King and agrees to a treaty with the Vikings. The east of England becomes 'Danelaw'.	AD900 - The Vikings establish rule over Scotland.	AD1013 - Cnut becomes King of the Danes and King of England.	AD1066 - King Harold is defeated at the Battle of Hastings by William the Conqueror.
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