

Were the Vikings raiders or settlers?

History big ideas

Trade
Invasion
Society

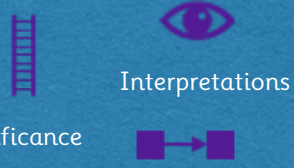



Ethics - Genetic diversity

Looking at our family trees, do any of us have Viking heritage within our families? The Vikings came to Britain and settled across the land, do any of our families have Viking roots?

Key historical concepts

Significance
Cause & consequence
Interpretations




Key Facts

- The Vikings are a group of people from Scandinavia. They invaded Britain because the land was much better to farm than their homeland was.
- The Vikings traveled over the sea in longships, which are long, narrow wooden boats that could be sailed in both deep and shallow water.
 - The Vikings first attacked Britain in 787AD but did not start to invade and settle in the British Isles until 793AD.
 - In 878, King Alfred the Great defeated the Vikings in battle and had them sign a treaty saying they had to keep their own land in England - this section of land was called the Danelaw.
 - Until recently, most of what we knew about the Vikings came from

Key vocabulary	
Danelaw	An area of land which was under the control of the Danish Viking empire.
Hoard	A hidden (often buried) collection of treasure.
Longship	Long, narrow wooden boats sailed by the Vikings that could be sailed in both deep and shallow water
Monk	Members of a religious community of men with strict rules.
Pagan	A person who believes in more than one god.
Territory	A geographical area belonging to or under the rule of a government or group of people.
Treaty	An agreement that binds two or more countries together.
Raid	A rapid surprise attack on an enemy by troops.
Runes	Viking writing

Timeline	
793AD	The beginning of the Viking raids in Europe.
865AD	Viking army arrived in England and encamped in the Isle of Thanet. They captured many Anglo-Saxon territories.
866AD	The capture of York.
886AD	Establishment of Danelaw
1000AD	Discovery of North America.
1066AD	Defeat of Harald Hardara and the Viking army.

Historical Concepts - Our Learning Journey

Reception	Year 1/2	Year 3/4	Year 5/6
Invasion - Nursery rhymes Society - Memory box	Invasion - Castles Society - Seaside, Toys, Great Fire of London Trade - The Great Fire of London, Toys	Society - Stone-age to Iron age, Romans, Ancient Egypt, Ancient Greece, Vikings Trade - Stone Age to Iron age, Vikings. Invasion - Romans, Vikings, Anglo-Saxons	Invasion - Benin Society - Islam, Mayans, Benin, Victorian Trade - Mayans, Benin

