

History—The Vikings

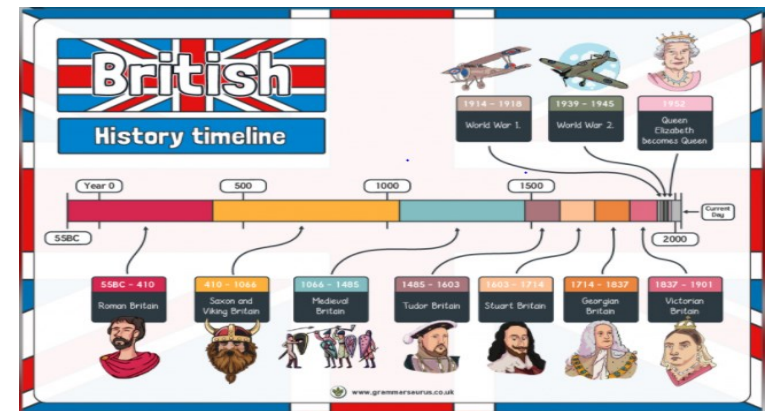
Who, what, when, why, where and how?

- The Viking age in European history was from about AD700 to 1100.
- Vikings left their homelands in Scandinavia and travelled by longboat to other countries, like Britain and Ireland.
- When the people of Britain first saw the Viking longboats they came down to the shore to welcome them. However, the Vikings fought the local people, stealing from churches and burning buildings to the ground.
- Viking warriors fought using long swords and axes.
- Some Vikings came to fight, but others came peacefully, to settle.
- Vikings sailed the seas trading goods to buy silver, silks, spices, wine, jewellery, glass and pottery to bring back to their homes.

Practical activities to try at home

Make a Viking longboat, shield, or weapon using recycled card.

Add a photo to Class Dojo.



KEY VOCABULARY

Longboat/ship: a large sailing boat

Merchant: a buyer and seller of goods

Invade: enter a country with force

Pillaged: robbed using violence

Saga: a long story of heroic deeds

Viking: a 'pirate' who raided parts of Europe many years ago.

Assessment

	Working Towards	At Expected	Above Expected
Can you explain how and why the Vikings invaded Britain?			
Can you locate on a map where the Vikings came from?			
Can you describe some aspects of Viking life?			