

Last topic (Year 5)

Ruthless Romans


Traders and Raiders

Next topic (Year 6)


Arabian Nights

How did the Vikings and the Anglo Saxons influence our country?

Key vocabulary:

 primary source


A first hand account from someone who was there.

 secondary source


A second hand account from someone who has learnt about it.

 Danelaw


The law in England before the Norman Conquest in 1066.

 runes

ABC Letters in an ancient Germanic alphabet.

 I can infer that...

I can conclude through evidence and reasoning.

 the purpose...

The reason why something was done.

Key People

 King Alfred

 Aethelflaed

 Aethelstan

 William the First

Substantive Knowledge

- The Anglo-Saxons were farmer warriors made up of three different tribes—the Angle, Saxon and Jute tribes.
- The Anglo-Saxons didn't like the stone houses and streets left by the Romans, so they built their own villages. Anglo Saxon houses were round and made of wood and straw.
- The Vikings originated from Scandinavia, which is an area now split into Denmark, Sweden and Norway. The most famous Vikings were the Danes who were from Denmark and established the area of Danelaw in England.
- They set out in boats called longships to 'go Viking' (which means to go travelling around looking for resources and land to claim as their own).
- The Vikings first arrived in Britain around AD 787 and in AD 793 they raided and pillaged the monastery at Lindisfarne in Northumbria.
- King Alfred the Great signed a treaty to share England between the Anglo Saxons and the Vikings
- In 1066, the Norman conquest ended the period of Anglo Saxon and Viking rule in England

