

- Attacked and desecrated the birthplace of Christianity.
- Killed King Beorhtric's reeve when he tried to welcome them.
- Sent only warriors first to survey and conquer kingdoms.
- Pillaged towns and villages leaving no survivors.
- Stole money and precious artefacts from monasteries.

Ruthless Invaders



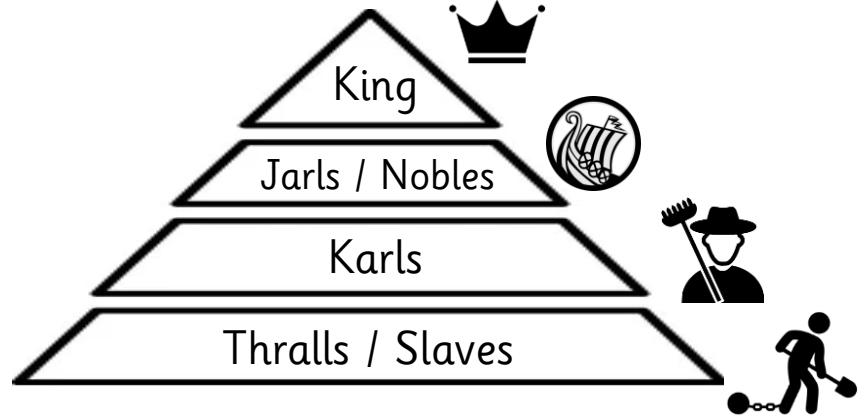
The Vikings

Peaceful Settlers



- Travelled with family to settle.
- Traded goods with locals and rivals for raw materials.
- Created fair laws and a strict judgment system.
- Shared live stock and crops with the whole settlement.
- Respected the treaty of peace – Living in Danelaw (East England)

Viking Society



Vocabulary Word	Word Class	Definition
AD - Anno Domini	adverb	The years after Jesus' birth. Anno – 'the year of' Domini – 'the lord, our lord'
Norse	adjective	Norse means belonging or relating to Scandinavian countries in medieval times as well as the language spoken.
invade	verb	To invade a country means to enter it by force with an army.
settle	verb	When people settle a place or in a place, or when a government settles them there, they start living there permanently.
Scandinavia	noun	A union of Norway and Sweden.
monastery	noun	A monastery is a building or collection of buildings of religious and financial significance. Monks lived in monasteries during historical periods.
Lindisfarne	noun	An island off the coast of East England – thought of as the birthplace of Christianity in northern England.
conquer	verb	If one country or group of people conquers another, they take complete control of their land.
Danelaw	noun	Danelaw is the name for the area of England that the Vikings ruled over and their laws were abided by.
Jarls	noun	A Viking noble or wealthy leader, usually who owns land or leads a tribe/community.
Karls	noun	Viking people who were usually farmers, craftsmen or traders.
Thralls	noun	Viking slaves who were controlled or owned by Jarls or Kings.
A Thing	noun	A gathering of the Viking community whereby decisions were made and laws are discussed.
Holmgang	noun	Vikings could also settle arguments with a fight. They held a type of duel, whoever won the duel was seen as being favoured by the gods.
saga	noun	A saga is a long story composed in medieval times in Scandinavia.