

What should the children already know?

The Stone age was when early humans used tools from stone. This lasted until the Bronze Age.

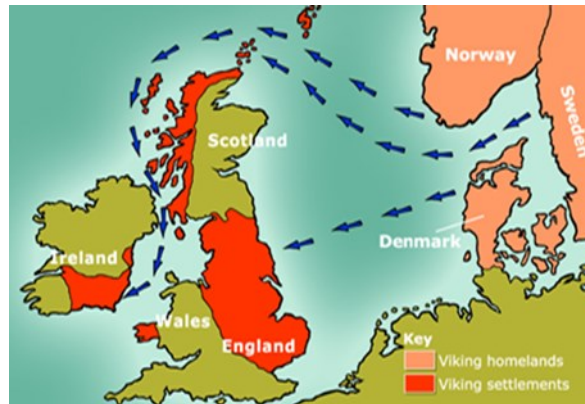
The Bronze age began when settlers arrived from Europe to Britain. These settlers brought with them ways of making tools from metal (bronze)

The Iron age lasted from 800BC until the Roman invasion (AD43) – this was when people used tools made from Iron

In AD 43, the Romans under the order of Emperor Claudius, first invaded Britain and Roman rule lasted until AD 410

THE VIKINGS FOLLOWED ON FROM THE ANGLO-SAXONS

Year 6 The Vikings



Timeline of Key Events:

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1066 CE Edward the Confessor dies, leading to several contenders claiming the throne. Harold Godwinson becomes King, but is killed by William the Conqueror at the Battle of Hastings.

Historical skills and enquiry

Explain how the Vikings invaded Britain and other parts of Europe.

Describe what Viking life was like for all groups of people

Ask questions and find out the answers about the Vikings

Use more than one source to find out what Viking life was like, compare these sources

Describe different accounts of Viking settlements from different perspectives, explaining why these accounts may differ

Suggest reasons why the Vikings settled in Britain Explain how Britain changed with Viking settlement

Place events on a timeline

Explain what religious beliefs were before the spread of Christianity and how the spread of Christianity impacted Britain

Present the information about Vikings using a variety of skills (eg geography, English, computing)

Key Vocab

Chieftain – The leader of a village or small group of people

Danelaw – The area of England ruled by the Vikings

Freeman – A person who is not a slave and free to choose who he or she worked for

Longship – A Viking ship with a sail and oars, also called a dragon-ship

Monastery – The building where monks live

Pagan – A person who believed in many gods

Runes – The name given to the Viking

What will I know by the end of the unit?

Why the Vikings invaded Britain

How Viking warriors fought

Describe Viking longships

What life was like in Viking settlements

What the Vikings believed in

How the Vikings left their legacy in Britain

How we know so much about the Vikings

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