



Year 6 Knowledge Organiser

History Vikings



Project Question:

Where the Vikings raiders or invaders?

Exciting Books and Useful Links:

Books:

Viking Boy – Tony Bradman
The Vikings: Raiders, Traders and Adventurers! – Marcia Williams

Links:

https://www.ducksters.com/history/middle_ages_vikings.php

What I should already know:

The Vikings came from the modern Scandinavian countries of Denmark, Norway and Sweden. They travelled in boats called longships and first arrived in Britain around AD 787. The Vikings raided places such as monasteries and pillaged expensive items to trade

What I need to know:

The Vikings also wanted to claim land and tried to take over much of Britain.

They invaded and settled in Scotland before heading south to places such as York.

By AD 878 the Vikings had settled permanently in Britain.

Key Vocabulary:

Chieftain

The person in charge of the community

Danegeld “Paying the Dane”.

King Ethelred paid the Vikings 4500kg of silver to go home but they kept returning and were paid 22,000kg of silver in Danegeld altogether.

exile

To be sent away.

invade

To enter and occupy land.

kingdom

An area ruled by a king.

longship

A long, wooden, narrow boat used by the Vikings.

outlawed

Having all property taken away and no longer being able to live in the community.

pagans

A religion where many gods and goddesses are worshipped.

pillaged

To violently steal something.