



What should I already know?

Children should be able to distinguish between past and the present.

Talk about and recall facts from significant people.

Know and recount stories from the past. Identify and discuss key historical events.

Diagrams



Important Facts

The kings of Anglo-Saxon Britain each ruled their own kingdom and the people in it. They fought to defend their kingdom or take control of other kingdoms. When the Anglo-Saxons first settled in Britain, there were seven kingdoms, but by AD 878 there was just one kingdom left (Wessex) as the others had been overrun by the Vikings. Many Anglo-Saxon kings tried to resist the Vikings and fought hard to keep control of their land. King Alfred the Great was the best known Anglo-Saxon king and the first to defeat the Vikings in battle.

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. They were looking for valuable goods like gold and jewels.

Vocabulary

Danegeld
exile
invade
kingdom
longship
outlawed
pagans
pillaged
raid
wergild

Timeline



Historical skills and enquiries

- Study different aspects of different people - differences between men and women
- Recognise the beliefs, behaviour and characteristics through a critical lens
- Examine causes and results of great events and the impact on people