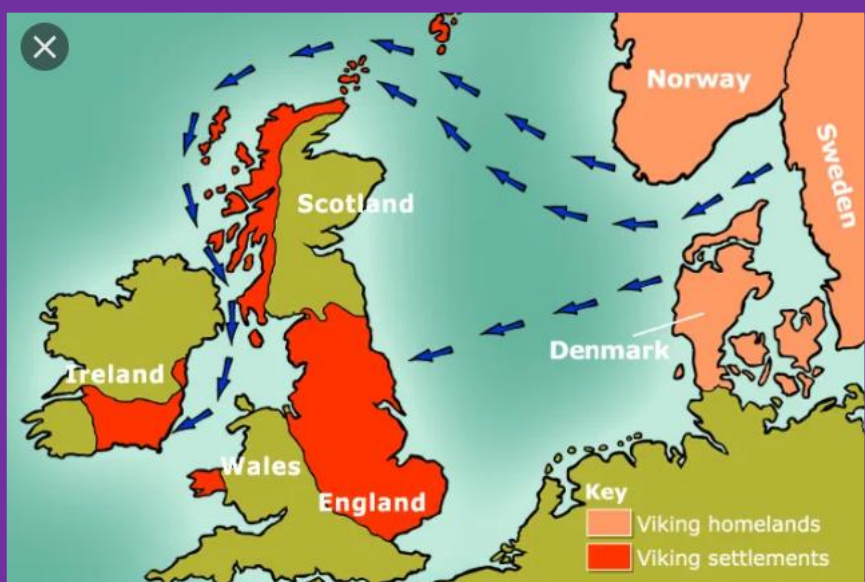


Year 4 Knowledge Organiser- Were the Vikings really that bad?

What will I learn?

In this topic we will learn about:

- When the Vikings invaded and settled in Britain
- Why Britain was an important country to have invaded and conquered
- How the **Anglo Saxons** struggled for power with the **Vikings**, and eventually made agreements as to how they should live
- How looking at historical sources such as text or artefacts help us learn about the past



Previous learning

What was life like in Early Britain?

Who were the Anglo-Saxons & the Scots?

You should already know:

- Know how people lived in early Britain and how this changed over time
- Know the main reasons for the Anglo-Saxon invasion

Vocabulary Dozen

Vikings	The Vikings were a sea-faring people from Scandinavia, in Northern Europe who raided, traded and settled in England between 793CE and 1066CE
invasion	Entry by force often into a foreign country or area of land
Burh	A fortified Anglo-Saxon town that provided protection from Viking attack.
treaty	An agreement between two or more parties (tribes/countries)
agriculture	Agriculture is the farming of animals and crops.
CE	Common Era. CE is the start of the modern calendar
BCE	Before Common Era . BCE is used to indicate the number of years before the start of the modern calendar
Scandinavia	a group of countries, in northern Europe, made up of Denmark, Norway and Sweden
Kingdom	A country whose ruler is a king or queen
unified	To come together as one
Danelaw	The area of England that was controlled by the Vikings
artefact	Something made by human beings that is historically important

Key Knowledge

When did key Viking events occur?	See timeline below.
Where were the Vikings from and why did they come?	Norway, Sweden and Denmark. Vikings wanted to take things from England back home or so that they could settle here.
How did Alfred the Great come to an agreement with the Vikings and what was Danelaw?	Alfred organised armies and burhs to protect the Anglo Saxons. Danelaw divided England into laws made by Vikings and laws made by the Anglo- Saxons

Useful Weblinks



Visit the BBC website to learn more about the Vikings.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/ztyr9j6>



Find 10 interesting facts about the Vikings.

<https://www.natgeokids.com/uk/discover/history/general-history/10-facts-about-the-vikings/>

Timeline of events

The first **Viking** raids of monasteries took place on the coast of England.



The Great Viking army from Denmark **invades** England.



886 CE: King Alfred the Great defeats the Vikings but they agree to **Danelaw** in the east of England.



1066 CE: Battle of Hastings occurred; William I (the Conqueror) crowned King of England.



My name is Erik. I have come across on the long ships to fight the Anglo Saxons

