Curriculum Visions Academy History Who were the Vikings?

Book: Viking raiders and settlers

Pages 4-13

Students: Fill in the answers and return for assessment

Everything here is based on our Curriculum Visions book Viking raiders and settlers.

You can open this book online now by clicking on the book cover. It will open in a new window or tab.

In this segment, we are going to be introduced to the Vikings.

You will need to go to pages 4-5 of the book.

Part 1

Take a look at a map of the world and find the places where Vikings came from. How do you think they got to Britain? Read the text on page 5. Using a map, draw lines from the places Vikings came from to the places they went to in Britain.

Answer ...

Now turn to pages 6-7 of the book.

Part 2

Why did the Vikings become good warriors? Why did they raid Scotland and Ireland before other parts of Britain? What are two places outside the British Isles where the Vikings raided?

Answer ...

Now turn to pages 8-9 of the book.

Part 3

Where does most of our knowledge of the Vikings come from? How was most Viking knowledge and stories passed on to other Vikings?
Why did Viking writing use mostly straight lines?

Answer ...

Part 4

Using a dictionary, search for words starting with sc or sk (or other common words) that have a Viking origin. Write down a few of the words you find here.

Answer ...

Now turn to pages 10-11 of the book.

Part 5

Complete pyramid below showing how the Viking kingdom was organised.



Answer ...

Now turn to pages 12-13 of the book.

Part 5

Choose one of the Viking gods and research more about them. Write a short report, or write the information you have learned here.

Answer ...

That is the end of this lesson, and you can now turn to another one. Also, find out if your teacher has left you any other worksheets or special instructions on your school website.

If you are interested in this topic continue to browse the book and watch our amazing videos. They start right on the book cover. Or you may want to go and hear the Vikings in action by visiting our 'fly on the wall' Eavesdrop section. You can hear what Vikings were actually saying. Just use our safe search and search 'Eavesdrop'.

Or you may need to see related books. If so just go to the top of the screen, select History and from the page that opens choose Vikings.

Remember, too, you can go to our safe search and type in any word about Viking times.