

Based on pages 32 and 33 of Viking raiders and settlers

The dragon head

On the front of a warship was a dragon's head. It was meant to strike fear into the enemy and make them run away.

Draw a front view of a dragon head in the space below.

Draw a side view of the dragon head.

If your teacher agrees make a model of the head in Plasticine.

If you have made a model longship in activity (3) you may like to make a small model of your head to stick on the front.

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Teacher's sheet

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Age range

- Years 3/4 (SP4/5).
- Years 5/6 (SP6/7).

Resources

Copies of the worksheet, Plasticine or modelling clay which hardens without firing. Secondary sources showing dragon heads.

Using the worksheet

You may use this activity as part of work in art. The students may like to look at a range of dragon heads from different sources to help them with their designs.

Younger students

Younger students may need reminding to make a large drawing of the head so that all its features can be clearly seen. They may like to make a head for their model ships before making a larger model out of Plasticine and clay.

Outcomes

The students can:

- Make a drawing of a dragon head.
- · Attach a model head to their model longship.
- Make a model in Plasticine or clay of their drawing.

Older students

The students should make a large clear drawing. They may like to design intricate curves and swirls into their creation. They may also prefer just to make the large model and omit making a model for the model longship.

Outcomes

The students can:

- · Make a drawing of a dragon head.
- Make a model in Plasticine or clay of their drawing.