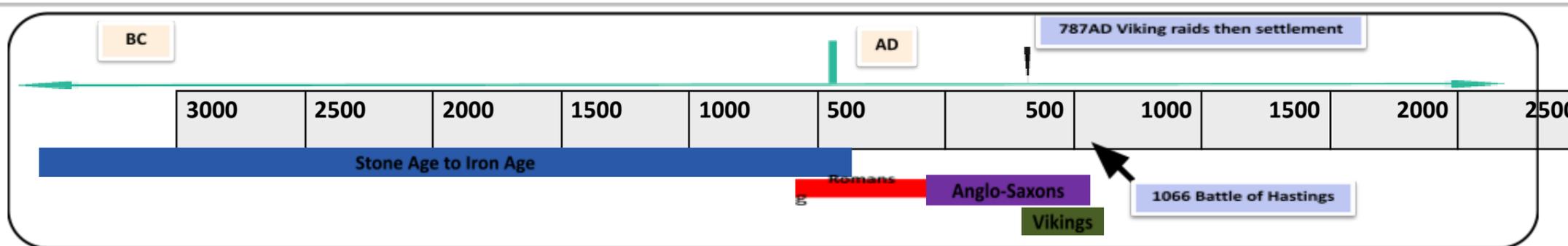


(Y5U2) Vikings: Would Viking people do anything for money?



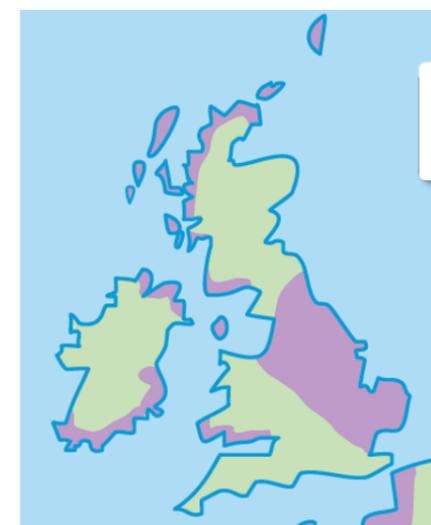
Moss Park Key Knowledge

- The term Viking comes from the Old Norse word meaning 'pirate' or '**raider**'. Vikings came from Scandinavia (Norway, Sweden, and Denmark).
- Not all Viking people were raiders; many were farmers, traders and craftspeople.
- Vikings **migrated** from their homeland for a number of reasons, such as; where they came from was overpopulated and there was not enough food. Pull factors included wealth and a better climate.
- They mainly settled in **rural** areas in the East of England as these were the first places they encountered. They did not just settle in England, they settled in Greenland, Iceland, Europe, North Africa and North America.
- We know about Vikings by studying archaeological remains, studying the Viking **sagas** and reading written accounts.
- Historians continue to review their **interpretation** of what Viking people were like.
- Alfred the King of Wessex, defeated the Vikings attack and negotiated a treaty that they would rule the North and he would Rule the South.



Viking journeys
Main settlement areas

Map showing Viking journeys



Map showing Viking settlement (purple shading)

5 words to remember

- interpretation:** a description or explanation of something in the past based on sources of evidence
- migrate:** to move from one place to another
- raid:** to enter a place by force to steal something
- rural:** countryside areas, usually focused on farming
- saga:** a story that tells a heroic adventure

The most important reason the Vikings settled in Britain was that

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