

Vocabulary

Longships: A long, narrow warship with many rowers, powered by both oar and sail.

Viking / Norsemen: A person belonging to a race of Scandinavian people who travelled by sea and attacked parts of northern and southern Europe

Inhabited: To occupy as a place of settled residence or habitat.

Pagan: A person holding religious beliefs other than those of the main or recognised religions.

Despoiled: Steal or violently remove valuable possessions from someone.

Venerable: A person who has a great deal of respect, especially because of their age or wisdom.

Heathen: A person who does not belong to a widely held religion.

Chieftain: A powerful leader of a clan, family or organisation.

Voyage: A long journey often involving travel by sea or in space.

Folklore: Traditional beliefs, customs, and stories of a community, passed through generations by word of mouth.

Vikings wanted something from Britain that their countries couldn't provide. It has a much warmer climate and flat fertile land.

Scandinavian Countries:



England



Year 4 Summer 2 Vikings

The Vikings (referred to as Norsemen in their time) were small groups of warriors who carried out a series of violent and brutal raids on the coasts of Britain and other European countries. These raids went on for about 70 years.



Eventually in 865, Vikings decided to settle in Britain with their families, often living in farmhouses they had built. Many married people from England.

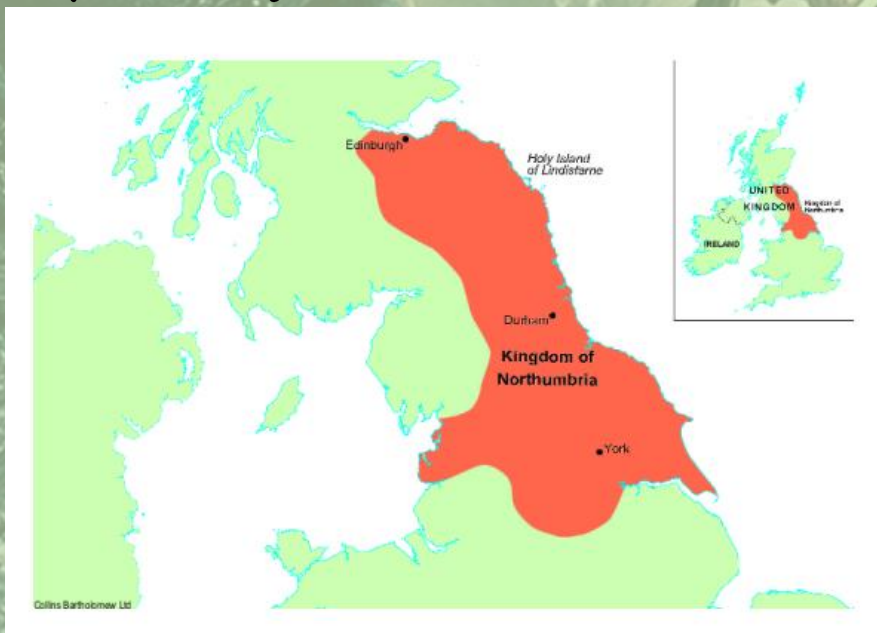


Did Vikings really wear horned helmets or is this a myth?



The first ever recorded attack of Vikings was on June 8th 793AD in Lindisfarne.

The "Men of the North" (as Anglo Saxons called them) attacked Lindisfarne Priory to steal the riches stored there.



Longships were made of wood and had shallow, flat hulls to allow Vikings to travel up rivers and land on beaches.

