

Year 5 Topic snapshot- Journey to Valhalla



Viking
Voyagers



Raiders and
Invaders



Viking
Settlers



Viking
Valhalla



Decline of
the Vikings

Key vocabulary

Vikings—a civilization of people who attacked, invaded and settled in England and other countries between 793 – 1066AD.

Voyage—a long journey involving travel by sea or in space.

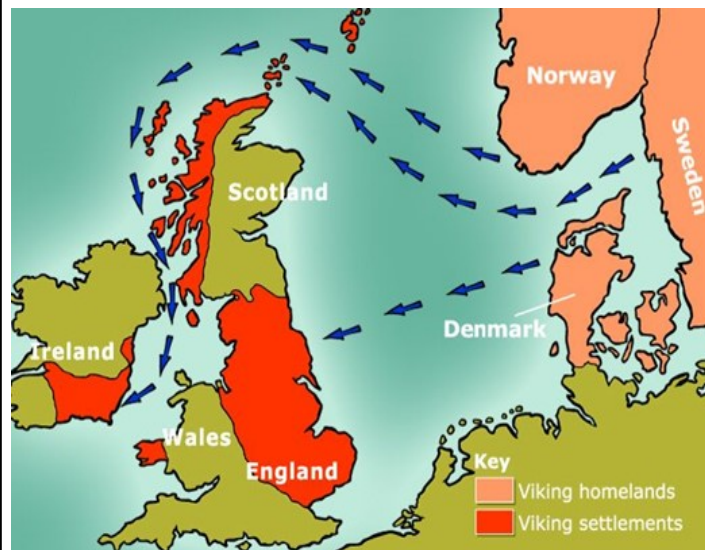
Scandinavia— the name for the group of countries which the Vikings came from – Sweden, Denmark and Norway.

Invade— to aggressively attack an area or community.

Myths— a traditional story, usually featuring a hero, which tells us about the history and beliefs of ancient people.

Valhalla— Viking heaven; Vikings believed you would go here if you died bravely in battle.

Scandinavia shown in orange. Where Vikings attacked and settled shown in red.



Key objects

Longship— Vikings built and sailed in amazing boats called longships. They were narrow but long, so that they could sail up rivers but also hold lots of Vikings – and the people/items they captured during raids!

Shields— Vikings made and used huge circular shields to protect themselves in battle.

Spears, swords, axes— these are the weapons Vikings used in battle.

Longhouse—The buildings Vikings lived in, carefully designed to suit their lifestyle.