



Knowledge Bank: Year 4 History – Vicious Vikings.

Were the Vikings raiders or settlers?

Key Vocabulary:

exile	To be sent away.
invade	To enter and occupy land.
kingdom	An area ruled by a king.
longship	A long, wooden, narrow boat used by the Vikings.
outlawed	Having all property taken away and no longer being able to live in the community.
pagans	A religion where many gods and goddesses are worshipped.
pillage	To violently steal something.
raid	A surprise attack.
monastery	Places where monks lived and worshipped.

Diagrams/Images:



Key Facts:

Before the Vikings arrived in Britain, the Anglo Saxons had **invaded** and settled here.

The Vikings came from the modern Scandinavian countries of Denmark, Norway and Sweden. They travelled in boats called **longships** and first arrived in Britain around AD 787.

The Vikings **raided** places such as monasteries and **pillaged** expensive items to trade. They were looking for valuable goods like gold and jewels, imported foods and other useful materials.

The Vikings also wanted to claim land and tried to take over much of Britain. They **invaded** and settled in Scotland before heading south to places such as York.

By AD 878, the Vikings had settled permanently in Britain.

What I should already know:

That the Roman and Saxon period happened before the Vikings (y3).
That I can use artefacts to learn about the past. (y3).
That some events have a positive and negative impact on Britain (y3).

Local History:

Southampton suffered attacks during the Viking invasions, where churches were raided.
Hampshire was also heavily invaded by the Vikings.

Stone Age
Bronze Age
Iron Age

Ancient
Egypt

Ancient
Greece

Romans

Saxons

Vikings

Normans

Tudors

Victorians

Titanic

WW II

3300BC

1200BC

6000BC

800BC

43AD

450

793

1066

1485

1837

1912

1939