

Physical and Human

We will look at the physical geography of Europe at this time, to understand how the Anglo-Saxons migrated to other regions.

We will explore how the Vikings were able to use physical geographical features to travel to other place in Europe easily.

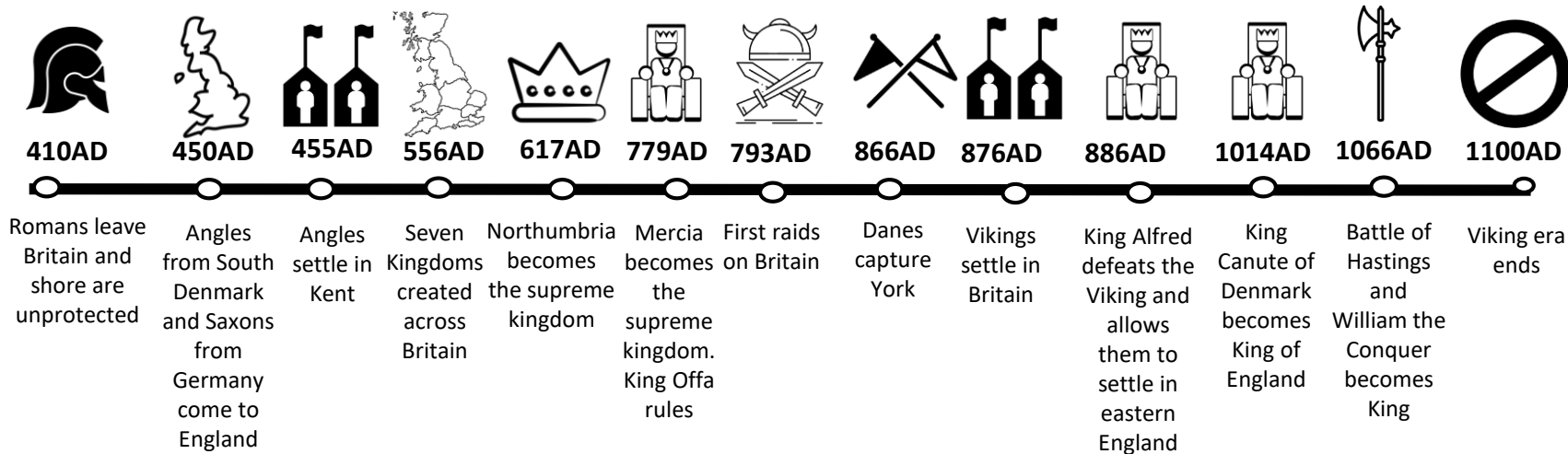
We will compare the physical features of the United Kingdom to those of North Europe (mainly Sweden, Norway, Denmark and Germany).

Linked to human geography, we will explore what a Viking settlement would have looked like, compared with an Anglo-Saxon settlement during this time.

Local Area

We will question whether either the Anglo-Saxons or the Vikings came to the South West of England and what evidence for this we can find. We will look at Devon, including Lydford, and what evidence there might be to support the idea that Vikings raided our local area.

Timeline



Mapping

We will consider places in Europe that the Anglo-Saxons originated before migrating to England.

Using current maps of the UK and Europe, we will study the movements the Vikings undertook during the invasion of Britain. We will become more familiar with the geography of the United Kingdom and the Republic of Ireland through this research.

History link

Using historical evidence and artefacts, we will look at how we know that the Vikings were in England. We will look at motives for their movement within Europe and how the historical information links closely with the geography of our continent. We will study chronologically the change in Britain after the Roman Empire left, when the Anglo-Saxons settled and when the Vikings invaded.



Key Terms

Anglo-Saxon – people who came from Germany to live in England in the 5th century.

Viking - people who travelled from Northern Europe to other regions, including England. The Vikings raided and traded with other regions.

Raid – an unexpected attack where an enemy comes to steal and/or destroy.

Trade – buying or selling goods or services.

Invasion – to enter a country or place by force, with intent of taking over.

Danelaw – the area of northern and eastern England ruled by the Vikings.

Danegeld – money paid by the Anglo-Saxons to the Vikings to stop more invasion.



Enquiry Questions

Who were the Vikings and Anglo Saxons?

Why did people from other regions want to come to England?

What impact did the Vikings and Anglo-Saxons have on the local area?



Website Links

<https://www.natgeokids.com/uk/category/discover/history/>

<http://primaryhomeworkhelp.co.uk/vikingsax.html>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zxsbcdm>