

Vicious Vikings



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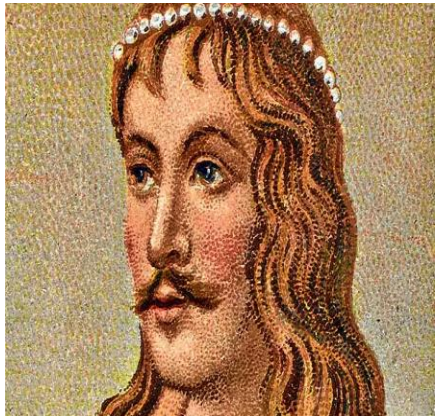
<p>The Vikings came from Norway, Denmark and Sweden.</p>	<p>The English kings were largely unsuccessful in repelling the Viking invasion.</p>	<p>In 886, Alfred the Great signed a peace treaty splitting England into two: The Viking part was called Danelaw.</p>
<p>The Vikings invade as England was full of riches and money.</p>	<p>The Vikings were warriors who took part in many fights and believed they would go to Valhalla</p>	

KEY VOCABULARY

<p>Vikings</p>	<p>A group of people who invaded from Norway, Sweden and Denmark. 'Viking' came from the Old Norse meaning 'a pirate raid'</p>
<p>Chieftain</p>	<p>The leader of a village or small group of people</p>
<p>Danelaw</p>	<p>The area of England ruled by the Vikings</p>
<p>Pagan</p>	<p>A person who believed in many gods</p>
<p>Freeman</p>	<p>A person who is not a slave and free to choose who he or she worked for.</p>
<p>Longship</p>	<p>A Viking ship with a sail and oars, also called a dragon-ship.</p>



Key Historical Figure: Cnut the Great



- Cnut, also known as Canute, was the king of Denmark, Norway and England.
- He is considered one of the most influential English Kings, he was Danish himself.
- He defeated Ethelred and conquered all that was north of the River Thames.
- He eventually became King of England after King Edmund died