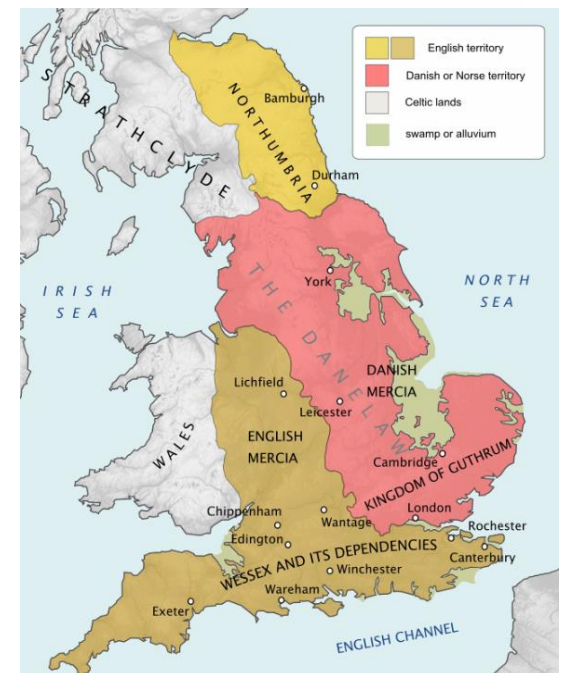


Vikings

Big Question: Were the Vikings vicious and victorious?

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AD 350	AD 410	AD 449-550	AD 556	AD 597	AD 617	AD 779	AD 700	AD 787	AD 793	AD 866	AD 878	AD 878	AD 1013-1042	AD 1016	AD 1066
Anglo Saxons raid British shores but are beaten back by the Romans.	Romans leave England and shores are unprotected.	Arrival of Jutes from Jutland, Angles from Denmark and Saxons from Germany.	Seven Kingdoms are created across Britain.	St Augustine brings Christianity to Britain from Rome and becomes Archbishop of Canterbury .	Northumbria becomes the supreme kingdom.	Mercia becomes the supreme kingdom and King Offa builds a dyke along the Welsh border.	Vikings travel by ship from Scandinavia to explore other countries	Vikings first arrive in Britain.	Viking raids along the coast including the monasteries at Lindisfarne .	Vikings capture York (Jorvik) led by Ivar the Boneless . Becomes the Viking capital.	The Kingdom of Wessex is the only kingdom left. Alfred the Great defends the Kingdom of Wessex.	Peace is made and Danelaw established. Vikings and Anglo Saxons control different areas.	England has 4 Viking kings.	King Cnut becomes King of England but he recognises Anglo Saxon law and customs.	Anglo Saxon rule comes to an end when King Harold II is defeated by the Norman forces of William the Conqueror .

Vocabulary		
1	Scandinavia	A region in Northern Europe consisting of Norway, Sweden and Denmark.
2	Danes	The Vikings were also known as Danes and were skilled hunters, farmers, fishermen and warriors.
3	invasion	When an army enters a country by force in order to take it.
4	migration	When people move to another place or country in order to find work or a better life.
5	monastery	A building where a community of monks live under religious vows.
6	monk	A member of a religious community living under vows of poverty, chastity and obedience.
7	longships	Boats that the Vikings used to travel all over Europe. They could sail up rivers as well as across the sea.
8	Norsemen	People from the North
9	raid	A surprise attack on an enemy.
10	Pagan	A religion where many Gods or Goddesses are worshipped.
11	Picts	Celtic speaking people who lived in East Northern Scotland.
12	Jorvik	The Viking name for York (their capital).
13	runes	Vikings used letters called runes to write.
14	Valhalla	A banquet hall for Vikings who had died bravely, ruled by the Norse god Odin.
15	Valkyries	Female spirits that brought dead warriors to Valhalla.
16	Chief Gods	Odin (King of the gods and God of War and the Dead), Thor (God of Thunder and son of Odin- carried a hammer) and Frey (fertility, peace, sunshine and rain)



Vikings left their homelands in Scandinavia like the Anglo- Saxons had 400 years earlier. They were great travellers and sailed in their longships to other parts of Europe, where they traded, raided and sometimes settled. The people of Britain called the invaders 'Danes' because many came from Denmark, but they also came from Norway and Sweden. Vikings were also known as Norsemen.

