

Why are Nordic countries so noteworthy?

Challenge Curriculum

Challenge 1 : Would you make a good Viking? (History and Geography focus)

History: plot Anglo Saxon and Viking Britain on timeline using BC, centuries and decades. Use maths to work out how long ago things happened (chronology)

How Vikings communicated, ate and lived and travelled and how this compared to Anglo Saxons (knowledge and interpretation)



Vikings as raiders and traders

Local history : Viking sites in the local area.

How items from the past help us to build a picture of how people lived (K+ I)

How and when England became a unified country. How events contributed to our lives today (K+ I)

Recognise part archaeologists play and use sources of evidence to answer questions and piece together information (historical enquiry)

Maths : Telling the time / time zones

Geography: Location of Nordic countries . Physical and human features including climate and how they differ from ours. Changing seasons and daylight hours.

Trade and Danelaw towns (York, Derby, Nottingham)

RE : Viking beliefs customs and festivals and the spread of Christianity.

Language : Old Norse and Viking runes.

Cooking and nutrition: Viking food and recipes

Quiz : Would you make a good Viking?

Challenge 6: How did Lego become the greatest toy of all time? (English focus)

English : The story of Lego (monologues, reports, product reviews)



DT : the noteworthy Nordic world in Lego

Challenge 8: What is a natural wonder?

Geography : what are the 5 natural wonders and learn about the Northern Lights



Art and English : Artwork, stories and myths inspired by the Northern Lights.

Challenge 2 : How did Vikings manage to travel so far? (science focus)

Science : preserving , processing and fermentation of food. Moving ships overland (friction and forces)

DT : design /make a Viking longboat

Geography : transport. How the Vikings travelled. Where they travelled to

Maths : measuring length and distance.

Art : Ship decoration and animal heads. Drawing Viking knots



Challenge 3: Why are Norse Myths so popular today? (English / history focus)

History : Gods and goddesses and creatures

English : Viking myths and sagas

Media : representation of characters such as Thor today (Marvel)

Art : learn about the role of mythology in Viking art



Challenge 4 : Did Vikings believe in Dragons?

English : Extracts from 'How to train your Dragon'

Letters from Bjorn of Bromme (Discovery of Dragons.) Comparing dragons in Europe

Art : Draw dragons (shading skills)



Challenge 5: How did Vikings cope with the dark? (science and DT focus)

DT: design and make an oil lamp

Science : scientific questioning about oil lamps.

Challenge 7 : Why can we say 'thankyou for the music?'

Music : songs from Abba including Mamma Mia

Music and styles of the 70s.

