Enquiry: Alfred and the Danes

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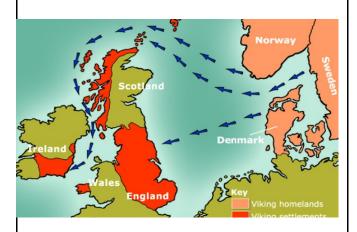
Year groups: 3 & 4

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What should I already know?

- The Romans left Britain.
- The Anglo-Saxons invaded Britain.
- There were different Saxon Kingdoms.

The Danes and Norse Settlements and territory in Britain



What Will I know by the end of this enquiry

- The Danes and Norse were knowns as Vikings but Vikings is an adjective.
- The Danes were from Denmark and Norse came from Norway.
- The Danes had the most impact on Britain.
- The Danes and Norse were pagan.
- The Danes/Norse occupied most of Britain.

Important Facts

- Danes/Norse would travel across Europe and raid various countries.
- When the Danes/Norse arrived, England had still not been created but the Saxon kingdoms of Wessex, Mercia, Northumbria and East Anglia still existed.
- The Danes and Norse raided Britain in 768 CE in Dorset. Took gold, slaves etc.
- Cnut was the first famous Danish king of England.
- King Alfred pushed out the Danes/Norse out of Wessex and Mercia.
- King Alfred's grandson, Athelstan, would eventually conquer all of the Danish/Norse lands in mainland Britain and England would be form

Vocabulary	
Word	Meaning
Viking	An adjective for a group of people who invaded Britain, also known as the Danes and Norse.
Danes	A group of people from Denmark who invaded England. Also known as Vikings.
Norse	A group of people from Norway who invaded England. Also known as Vikings.
Pagan	Belief that there is more than just one God.
Anglo Saxon King- doms	The areas the Anglo-Saxons had territory of e.g Wessex, Mercia, Northumbria, East Anglia, Sussex
Danelaw	Territory of Northern and Easter Britain occupied by the Danes.
Compare	When you identify the similarities and differences between different subjects e.g. the impact on Britan
Impact on life	When you consider how others in the past have impacted our lives today.

