



Anglo-Saxon Settlement

Key Questions:

Why did the Anglo Saxons settle in Britain?

Where did they settle?

What were the varying roles for men and women?

What was life like in Britain in the Early Medieval period?

Was King Alfred really Great?

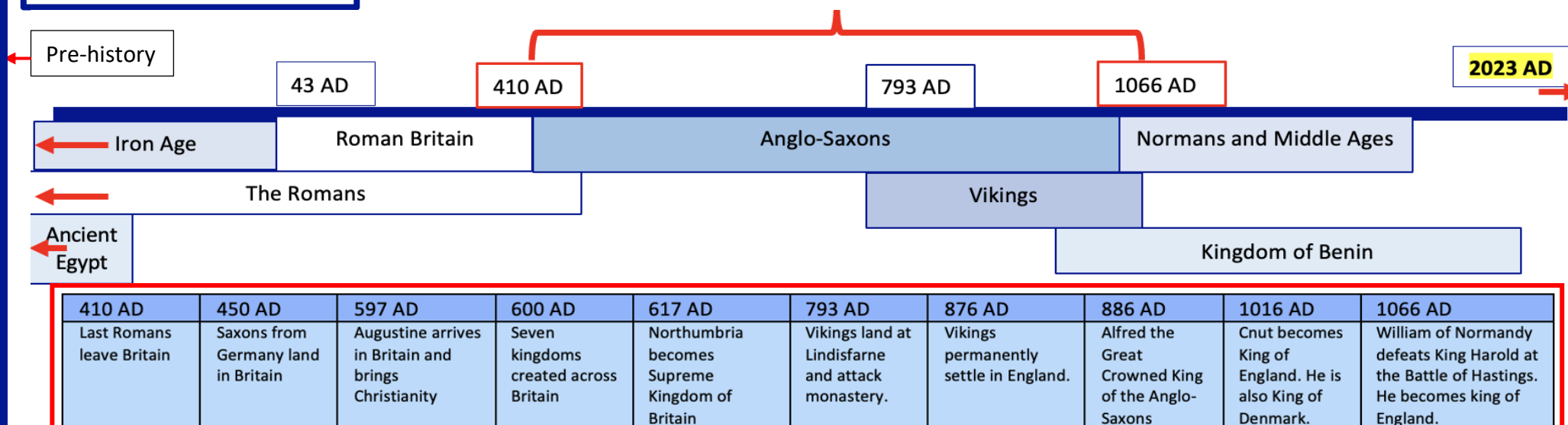
Enquiry Question: Did the settlement by the Anglo-Saxons make England a better or worse place to live??

Key Facts:

- Anglo-Saxon Britain lasted from AD410 (after the last romans left) to 1066 (use on timeline)
- The Anglo Saxons were a mix of tribes from Germany, Denmark and the Netherlands
- Vikings settled in England between AD793 to 1066
- The land they settled upon was known as 'Angleland' (England).
- For a long time, England was not one country. Anglo-Saxon kings ruled lots of small kingdoms across the land.
- The seven kingdoms were: Northumbria, Mercia, East Anglia, Essex, Wessex, Sussex, Kent
- There was division between men and women and girls and boys and their job roles.
- St Augustine arrived in Britain and Introduced people to Christianity.
- Roman life was focused in the cities, Anglo Saxon life was more in the countryside.
- There were fewer written records in Anglo-Saxon times than Romans (this is why it is known as the 'dark ages').
- King Alfred had already successfully defended his kingdom against the Vikings.
- The Battle of Hastings ended the Anglo-Saxon rule, and the Norman conquest began.

Glossary:

Anglo-Saxon	People who came to and settled in England from places like Germany, Denmark and the Netherlands, from 450 AD.
Conquest	The act of conquering a country, area or situation.
Invasion	To enter a country or place by force with the intent of taking over.
Mercia	One of seven kingdoms created by the Anglo-Saxons in Britain. Each ruled by a different king.
Raid	A sudden attack ore invasion.
St. Augustine	A Christian bishop from Rome who came to England to introduce people to Christianity.
Wergild	a payment system used in Anglo-Saxon times to settle disputes.



CLASSES: 5RS, 5OF and 5FM
Homework to be
completed and returned
by:
**Wednesday 12th February
2025**

Spring 1 – Year 5 – Anglo-Saxon Settlement Homework

Dear Parents and Carers,

This term, we are going to be learning about the Anglo-Saxons Settlement and the changes that took place in Britain and parts of Europe during that time. Please see the attached knowledge organiser for support with key ideas.

Reading

Remember to read each day and get an adult to sign your reading record. Don't forget to collect your rewards for reading!



Spelling

Don't forget spelling rules for your Spelling words will go home with you Friday for a collaborative test the following week!



Maths

Remember to revise your **time tables**.

Practise the **number facts** you are working on each week. You will be tested on these!

And please don't forget to log onto Times Table Rock Stars



WRITING, DT and ART

You can use your scrapbook to complete your homework. Alternatively, you can post your efforts on Google Classroom. Over the next few weeks, try to complete some of these activities. Gems will be received for homework!

TRY TO COMPLETE AT LEAST TWO OF THE WRITING TASKS:

- 1) Write a diary entry of an Anglo-Saxon warrior invading a settlement.
- 2) Find out about Anglo-Saxon law and order. Create a wanted poster for a Saxon criminal.
- 3) Research a famous Anglo Saxon and write their biography. Pick out key events in their life. Present the information in your own words in chronological order.

NOW CHOOSE SOME OR ALL OF THESE

1. Design/make your own shield
2. Make an Anglo-Saxon longhouse using any materials you have at home. You may need to research their appearance/structure beforehand.
3. Design a realistic Anglo-Saxon coin. Use this link to help you get information, ideas and designs:

http://www.bbc.co.uk/history/trail/conquest/wessex_kings/coins_eadbald.shtml

Home Learning Links:

BBC Bitesize – Anglo – Saxons (videos, facts and activities).

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

BBC Teach – The Anglo-Saxons - Seven

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/school-radio/history-ks2-anglo-saxons-index/zhtdd6f>

Horrible Histories – The Anglo-Saxon Report –

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-s5MkSv5_P4

Places to Visit:

British Museum –

- <https://www.britishmuseum.org/learn/schools/ages-7-11/ancient-britain/visit-resource-anglo-saxons>
- <https://www.britishmuseum.org/learn/schools/ages-7-11/ancient-britain/visit-resource-vikings>
- https://www.britishmuseum.org/sites/default/files/2019-10/Visit_Anglo_Saxons.pdf

Museum of London (Docklands) -

- <https://www.museumoflondon.org.uk/collections/about-our-collections/what-we-collect/saxon-and-medieval#:~:text=The%20Museum%20of%20London%27s%20medieval,objects%20of%20the%20Saxon%20period.>
- <https://www.museumoflondon.org.uk/museum-london-docklands/plan-your-visit>

Recommended Reads:

Learn about the Anglo Saxons:



Historical Fiction:

