

Vikings: A Social Studies / History Assessment

Learning objective: To show what you have learned about where the Vikings came from, how they lived, and why they travelled.

Read each question carefully. Use the word bank if you get stuck. Write your answers on the lines provided.

Ellie the elephant has been reading about the Vikings. She learned that they came from the cold lands of Scandinavia. They were famous for building strong wooden ships. Some Vikings travelled to find new land to farm, while others went to trade goods like wool, amber, and fur.

Word bank: Longship · Scandinavia · Raiding · Farming · Trade · Settlement

1. 1. Which three countries make up the area known as Scandinavia? (You may name them). (3 marks)

2. 2. Why were Viking longships so special? (Think about how they travelled). (2 marks)

3. 3. Name two jobs that Vikings did when they settled in a new place. (2 marks)

4. 4. What is a 'settlement'? Use the word bank to help you. (3 marks)

5. 5. Why did the Vikings travel to Britain? Give two reasons. (4 marks)

6. 6. Imagine you are a Viking living in a new settlement. Write five sentences about your daily life. Think about what you eat, what your house looks like, and what work you do. (11 marks)

Draw: Draw a Viking longship in the sea. Label the sail and the dragon head on the front.



Extension challenge: Total: /25. Challenge: Can you find out the name of one famous Viking leader and write it here?