

Viking Explorer Fact-File with Ellie the Elephant

Learning objective: To identify and describe key features of Viking life using historical evidence.

Help Ellie the Elephant learn about the Vikings! Read your history book or look at the classroom display. Use the facts you find to fill in the boxes below. Use the word bank at the bottom if you need help with spelling.

Word bank: Longship · Danelaw · Raider · Farmer · Settler · North Sea · Scandinavia · Trade

1. Where did the Vikings come from? (Hint: Think about countries in the north) (2 marks)

2. What was a Viking longship used for? (2 marks)

3. Besides raiding, what was another way Vikings lived? (e.g., farming or trading) (2 marks)

4. Name one item a Viking might have used in their daily life. (2 marks)

Extension challenge: Imagine you are a Viking arriving in Britain for the first time. Draw a picture of what you see on the land and write one sentence about how you feel.