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| **Who were the Vikings?** |
| **1. How and when did the Vikings arrive?** |
| **2. Who was in charge?** |
| **3. What was a Viking settlement like?** |
| **4. How did the Vikings live?** |
| **5. What did the Vikings believe in?** |
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| **Interesting Facts** |
| **Vikings didn’t just raid nearby lands—they sailed as far as North America, nearly 500 years before Christopher Columbus! A Viking named Leif Erikson is believed to have reached a place they called Vinland, which is part of modern-day Canada.** |
| **Vikings were known for being much cleaner than other Europeans at the time. They bathed regularly, used combs and tweezers, and even made soap!**  |
| **Vikings kept animals not just for their farms, but also as pets. They had dogs, cats, falcons, and even bears!** |
| **Vikings wore colourful clothes.**  **They liked reds, blues, yellows, and decorated their outfits with patterns.** |

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| **Word** | **Definition** |
| **raid** | **A surprise attack where treasure or goods are stolen.** |
| **longship** | **A long, narrow Viking boat with a sail and oars, for travelling across seas and rivers.** |
| **Danelaw** | **The part of England where many Vikings lived and followed their own rules.** |
| **jarl**  | **A rich and powerful Viking leader, like a lord or chief.** |
| **thrall** | **A Viking slave who had to work for others and had no freedom** |
| **Odin** | **The most important Viking god, known as the god of wisdom and war.** |
| **foetus** | **The letters of the Viking alphabet, carved into stones, wood, or metal.** |
| **Norse** | **From Scandinavia, Viking.** |
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| **Useful Pictures/Diagrams** |
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