



Anglo-Saxons & Vikings

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These Gold questions require comparing Anglo-Saxon and Viking societies and evaluating historical significance.

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Section A: Society & Change

1. Explain how the arrival of Christianity changed Anglo-Saxon society and culture.

2. Compare Anglo-Saxon farming methods and settlements to those of the Iron Age Britons.

3. Explain why Anglo-Saxon kingdoms sometimes fought each other, not just outside invaders.

4. Why might written law codes, like those developed in Anglo-Saxon England, have been an important development?

5. Explain the lasting significance of Anglo-Saxon language on modern English.

Section B: Conflict & Legacy

1. Explain why the Vikings are remembered both as raiders and as settlers and traders.

2. Evaluate why King Alfred's resistance against the Vikings was historically significant.

3. Explain how the Danelaw affected the culture and language of parts of England.

4. Compare how Vikings and Anglo-Saxons are often portrayed differently in popular culture versus historical evidence.

5. Explain the long-term significance of the Anglo-Saxon and Viking periods in shaping the England we know today.

