

Curriculum tasks for 1 week

The **Art activity for 2 sessions** is to Re-watch A Viking Village

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0L9jzX6ry0A>

I would like you to create a map of the village and add still images from the film to illustrate

The **design and technology activity** is to create a Viking helmet. You will need to do some research as to whether they had horns or not!! Historical fact or myth?

The **History task 1:**

One such figure in history who is often seen as mythical or simply a legend (a traditional story sometimes popularly regarded as historical, but unauthenticated) is the legendary Robin Hood, supposedly an outlaw who is popularly believed to have robbed from the rich and given to the poor some time in medieval England. But is there any hard historical evidence that such a man – who allegedly lived to defend the weak from the tyranny of landlords and the King's officers who persecuted them – ever existed? If there is, when was it and where is it? There is mention of an outlaw fitting Robin's description in several plays and ballads (stories rarely written down and passed on orally from one generation to the next) dating from 1377–93. If there was an outlaw, could the person referred to have been Robin Hood? Watch the video Who Was Robin Hood?

www.youtube.com/watch?v=AhNI2nvZy70

and talk about what you have seen.

How much of the story do they think is legend and how much is true? The film suggests that the Robin Hood character may be an amalgam of several notorious outlaws who lived over a period of 100 years or so in medieval England.

The **History task 2:**

The Anglo-Saxon period of English history ends in 1066 with the battle of Hastings and the successful invasion of William, Duke of Normandy, and the arrival of the Normans. I would like you to answer the following question:

'Why did William, Duke of Normandy, fight the Anglo-Saxon King Harold on 14 October 1066?'

The answer to this is that William believed that Edward the Confessor (the 13th Anglo-Saxon king, who died without children) had promised he would be the next king. However, Edward's brother-in-law Harold, Earl Godwin, was chosen as the next king. So William came across the English Channel from Normandy in France to fight Harold for his kingdom.