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| The Vikings From around \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ CE, England and Europe were terrorized by a group of Nomadic warriors called the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .   They came from Northern Europe, from Modern \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ . |
| The vikings  The Viking Culture revolved around warfare and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ . Their religion reflected this, only warriors who died in battle could enter the Viking afterlife, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .   They were skilled \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , talented \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and capable of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the open ocean.   They discovered the British Isles around 790, and quickly learned that they English countryside was covered in Monasteries and Churches, which were full of wealth and loot, and also \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ . |
| Viking Culture  Viking’s would eventually settle some of their English land and their culture opposed the Europeans Some Aspects of Viking Culture 1. Women were largely \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , could serve as warriors and could lead in times of stress  2. Polytheistic and performed \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ sacrifices  3. Strictly \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Christianity  4. Gift Giving Culture based on \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ . |
| Viking Holdings  By the late 800s CE, the Vikings had major settlements in Northern and Eastern \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ . The focus on raiding had shifted to a focus on \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .  These settlements were often used as staging grounds for raids into France and into English controlled England |
| Basic English History  By the 800s largely Christian, some pagan holdouts  Feudal society based around towers and some walled cities, most of which were the crumbling remains of old \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ towns |
| England and Vikings  After several centuries of attack, the English nobles usually just \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the Vikings off every fall to avoid being raided, or paid them to attack their enemies. |
| The Great Heathen Army  A large army of Vikings conquered great chunks of England, killing two \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , leaving control of Southern England in the hands of a guy named \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , a sickly, pious man. |
| Wessex and Unification  Alfred proved to be a surprisingly \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ military leader and warrior.  He \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ his army, rather than calling on random knights and peasants  All 3 major leaders of the Great Heathen Army were killed in battle or died or something (sources are vague at best) against his professionalized army.  As Alfred and his army fought them off, he forced English nobles to swear oaths of loyalty to him |
| Wessex, England, Vikings and Peace  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Alfred defeated the last largest group of Vikings in England.  The Vikings signed a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ with Alfred, giving their \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , paying taxes and converting to Christianity, basically turning them into Englishmen |
| Alfred the Great  For the next 20 years or so, Alfred created a unified \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ system in his territories, increased the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ person, improved the structure and kept peace and stability. It was the first step to England becoming a world power. |
| Norman Conquests  In 1066, a dude on the Coast of France named William, who was a descendent of the Vikings (but was fully, 100% Christianized) claimed to be next in line to be King of England after the previous king died.  William raised an \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , went into \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , found allies and conquered the entire island.  The importance here is that it established the first unified Kingdom of England |
| 1215  in the early 1200's the king of England was \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the Lionheart. Richard was a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ king, who racked up a huge debt with his constant wars  Eventually he dies. And his brother \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ take the Throne  King John is forced to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to pay off the debt and a lot of nobles and commoners don't much care for it... |
| Magna Carta  In 1215, King John agreed to sign a document called the\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Ca\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ rta to keep a rebellion from starting.  The Magna Carta \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of England and expaned on the rights of nobles and common people. It is widely regarded as the first document of its kind. |