



Year 5: Anglo Saxons

Key Questions

1. Who were the Anglo-Saxons?
2. How did the Anglo-Saxons move to England?
3. Why did the Anglo-Saxons move to England?
4. What was life like in an Anglo-Saxon village?
5. What areas did the Anglo-Saxons, settle in? Why did they choose to live there?
6. How can we design our own Anglo-Saxon settlement?
7. What did the Anglo-Saxons eat and why?

Vocabulary

Empire significant trade mythology
 periods compare

Contrast Settlement, emigration,
 geographical features, diet,

National Curriculum

History

- Understand that many different people have settled in Britain.
- Understand how people's lives have shaped Britain.
- Understand cause and consequence.
- Understand historical concepts.
- Gain historical perspective by understanding connections between local and national history.
- Understand how Britain has been influenced by the wider world.
- Understand connections between cultural, social and military history.

Curriculum Links

English

Persuasive writing

Poetry—creating imagery and exploring form.

Maths

Place Value

Addition & Subtraction

Multiplication & Division

Science

Properties of materials

Geography

Describe key aspects of human geography.

Use sketch maps to record features.

Use maps.

Understand aspects of human geography.

Study human geography.

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Research and create own Saxon jewellery



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Suggested Websites and Links

Facts about Anglo Saxons

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zxsbcdm>

<https://www.natgeokids.com/uk/discover/history/general-history/anglo-saxons/>

<https://www.theschoolrun.com/homework-help/anglo-saxons>

<http://www.primaryhomeworkhelp.co.uk/saxons.htm>

<https://www.keystagehistory.co.uk/keystage-2/outstanding-lessons-keystage-2/anglo-saxon-britain/>

<http://www.dinosaurbooks.co.uk/assets/freedom-for-bron%2C--teacher-notes.pdf>

Map and Timeline template ideas

<https://www.twinkl.co.uk/resource/t-t-4022-anglo-saxon-maps>

Saxon Myths

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/school-radio/english-ks2-ks3-beowulf-index/zfbhpg8>

Suggested Activities

- ✓ Identifying how and why the Saxons came to Britain.
- ✓ Identifying Saxon settlements and the meaning behind their names.
- ✓ Research and design your own Saxon village, thinking about the different roles people play.
- ✓ Research Saxon diets and consider how and why they maintained it.
- ✓ Understanding the significance of Saxon story telling and performance poetry.
- ✓ Understand the Saxon class system and significant people within the history of the Saxons.
- ✓ Understand Saxon beliefs and the rise of Christianity.

Further Topics

- Develop understanding of reading and using maps.
- Create a map of own locality.
- Create own interpretation of Bayeux tapestry depicting the events of 1066.
- Create own Saxon jewellery.
- Create a Saxon feast.

