

A Kingdom United - Anglo Saxons



Sticky Knowledge

Year 5 History Autumn 1

Who were the Anglo-Saxons and where did they originate from?

The Anglo-Saxons were a mix of tribes from Germany, Denmark and the Netherlands.

How did the Saxons come to Britain?

They came in long boats, made of wood.

Why did the Saxons come to Britain?

They came to fight with the Roman army and were given farmland as a reward.

How did a typical Anglo-Saxon live?

The villagers lived, ate, slept and socialised together. They were farmers who grew their own crops of wheat and barley.

Describe a typical Anglo-Saxon village?

An Anglo-Saxon village was a small settlement of wooden huts with straw roofs and one room.

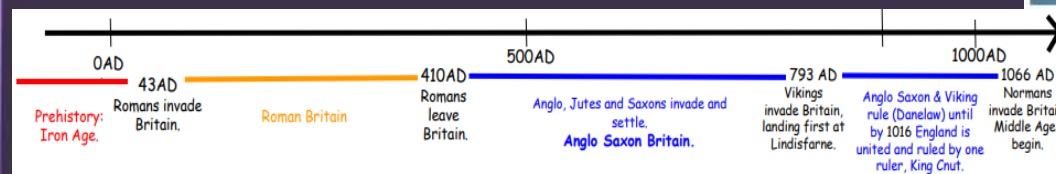
What is Sutton Hoo?

Sutton Hoo is the site of the grave of an Anglo-Saxon king in Suffolk, England. It is the largest archaeological find of the Saxon period in Europe.



King Alfred the Great (849-899)

Alfred was the ruler of Wessex, he united many of the Anglo Saxon Kingdoms against the Vikings and was able to bring peace. He built ships and fortified towns, introduced new laws and was known for his love of education. Alfred was the first person to be known as 'King of the English'.



Key Vocabulary

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Angles, Jutes and Saxons	The names of the people groups who came to settle in Britain after the Romans left, from Denmark, Germany and the Netherlands.
Scots	The people who lived in the area we now call western Scotland
Picts	The people who lived in the area we call now call northern Scotland.
Invaders	An unwelcome arrival of many people who come with force and may cause harm.
Conquer	To conquer is to take control of or to overcome.
Wattle	Small twigs or branches woven together to create the walls of houses.
Daub	A mixture of mud (or horse dung) and straw used to build houses
Longships	The boats built by the Vikings that were used to invade Britain
Thatched	A process of building a roof with dry straw, water reeds or palm branches.
Gaelic	The language spoken by the Scots.