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Viking Question Sheet – BrainPop

Preview the questions below. Watch the BrainPop video on Vikings twice. The first time, listen and begin to gather your thoughts for the questions below. During the second time, answer the questions. We will go over the questions as a class at the end of the video.

1) Who were the Vikings?

Warriors + adventurers from Scandinavia

2) Scandinavia includes the modern countries of Norway,
Sweden, and Denmark.

3) The Vikings were also known as Norsemen (Northmen) because they were from Northern Europe.

4) What time period did the Vikings gain attention? 800 - 1050

5) What did the Vikings owe much of their success to? superior strategy + technology

6) What were the benefits of Viking Longships? faster and more maneuverable

7) Name some of the qualities Vikings were known for.

• Excellent sailors and navigators
• Knowledge of European coastline

8) How did Vikings tend to attack their victims?

• Hit and run – attacked without warning

9) What happened during the 9th and 10th Century?

Settled a large area of England and forced the English to pay them to prevent them from wrecking the rest of the country.

10) What are some other areas the Vikings settled in? France, Iceland, Russia, Ukraine, Italy, Middle East

11) What was the outcome of the Vikings launching raids in the Middle East?

They weren't successful but the Byzantine Emperor hired them to fight for him

12) Who were Eric the Red and Lief Eriksen? Vikings from Iceland

13) When did the Vikings reach America? 500 years before Columbus

14) What was the purpose of the Viking raids?

It was how they could move up in the world. They sought money, fame and glory.

15) What did the Vikings place importance on? The rule of law

16) What would happen if someone did not obey the rules?

They received public jury trials

17) What were some the rights women had in Viking Society?

They could own property and divorce.

18) When did the Viking Age come to an end? 11th century

19) Why did it come to an end? • European kings began to build armies to stand up to Norse invasions.

- European technology for ships improved
- Norse people became Christian and religion discouraged raiding