

History: Anglo Saxons and Scots

The BIG Question:

What was life like in Anglo-Saxon Britain?

Key Vocabulary

Invalidate: When people enter a country with force as an enemy.

Anglo-Saxons: People who came over from Europe. They were made up of two big tribes called the Angles and the Saxons. This is why they are called the Anglo-Saxons.

Romans: People who invaded and settled in Britain for over 400 years. They helped the People living in England defend themselves until they withdrew from England and returned to their home-land.

Scots: People from Ireland who invaded North England. They were fierce and powerful fighters.

Conversion: People changed from one religion to another.

Anglo-Saxon Place Names Still Used In England

| Place Name | Meaning |
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| Northumbria | Land of people living north of the River Humber. |
| East Anglia | Comes from the fact that the Angles first settled here. |
| Sussex | South Saxons. |
| Wessex | West Saxons. |
| Essex | East Saxons. |
| Mercia | Border people. |
| Kent | The Jutes who settled here called themselves 'Kentings'. |

Anglo Saxon Artefacts



Anglo-Saxon Village Life: Inside a House

People played instruments to provide entertainment. This man is playing a lyre.

The roof of the house is thatched with straw.

Meat and fish are hung up at the ceiling above the fire so that the smoke can cure it (dry it out and preserve it).

The walls of the house are made from planks of wood.

Most houses had one room, people also slept here.

A fire in the centre of the room provides warmth and light and a place to cook the food.

A large barrel holds beer to drink.

Invasion of England by the Scots and Anglo-Saxons

