

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 Artefacts



Anglo-Saxon Village Life: Inside a House

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

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 roof of the house is thatched with straw.

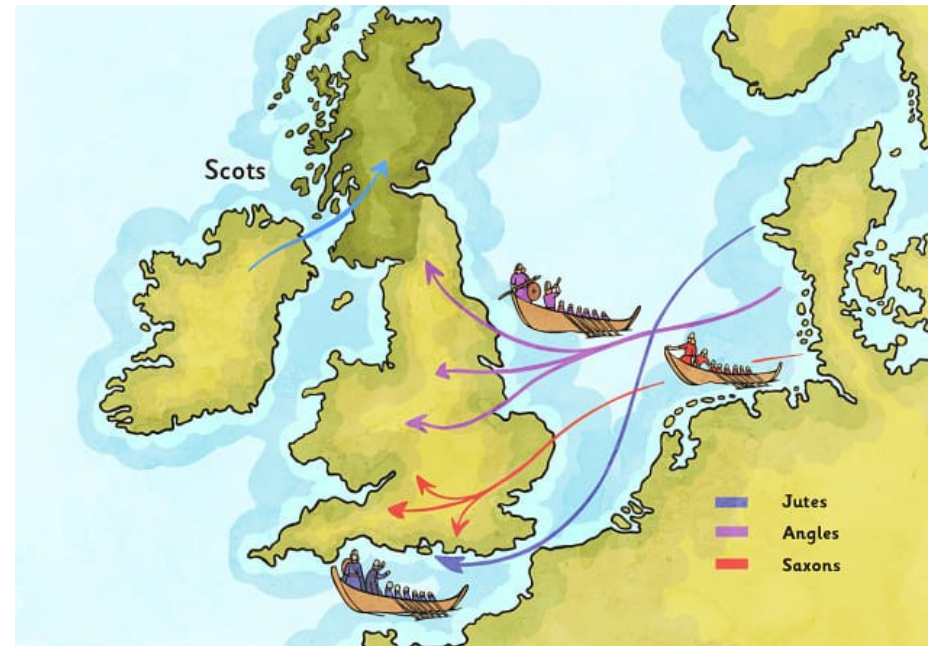
The walls of the house are made from planks of wood.

Most houses had one room, people also slept here.

A large barrel holds beer to drink.

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

Invasion of England by the Scots and Anglo-Saxons



Anglo-Saxon Place Names Still Used In England

Place Name	Meaning
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'.

