

# Year 5: The Anglo-Saxons and Vikings

**Key Vocabulary:** angles, Danelaw, invader, kingdom, Lindisfarne Island, Saxons, settler, Viking

## How can I help at home?

With your child, have a look at a map of Europe and identify where the Angles, Saxons and Vikings came from. Talk about the reasons why they wanted to invade and settle in Britain. Ask your child to create a timeline from The Stone Age to the present day, plotting the main historical eras studied so far.

### Weblinks

**BBC Bitesize**

**Homework Help 1**

**Homework Help 2**

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### Places to Visit

**The Ashmolean Museum**

**Jorvik Centre**

**The British Museum**

### Recommended Books

- Viking Boy by Tony Bradman
- Viking Voyages by Jack Tite
- Beowulf (Usborne) by Rob Lloyd Jones & Victor Tavares
- Anglo-Saxons & Vikings (Usborne History of Britain)
- Greek Myths by Marcia Williams
- So You Think You’ve Got it Bad? A Kid's Life in Ancient Greece by Chae Strathie & Marisa Morea
- Percy Jackson and the Lightning Thief by Rick Riordan

# Year 5: The Ancient Greeks

**Key Vocabulary:** Athens, climate, civilisation, deities, democracy, empire state, mythology, Sparta

## How can I help at home?

Discuss concurrency within chronology with your child – when the Ancient Greeks were living, what other world events were occurring? Talk about democracy in Britain today and think about its roots in Ancient Greece.

### Other useful vocabulary

Alfred the Great Angles Belief Danelaw Danegeld Edward the Confessor Extortion Invasion	Jutes Kingdom King Ethelbert Marauder Monastery Norse Picts Raid	Ramsack Religious Saxons Settlements St Augustine Viking	Acropolis Amphitheatre Archaeologist Chiton Chronology Circa Citadel Civilisation Climate Continent Culture Deity Democracy	Empire Invasion Merchant Military Mythology Parthenon Philosophy Polis Polytheists Seafaring Society Trade Trojan Horse
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### Weblinks

**BBC Bitesize**

**Homework Help**

**DK Findout**

**Schools Radio**



# Year 6: World War Two



**Key Vocabulary:** Adolf Hitler, Allies, axis, Blitz, evacuation, invasion, rationing, Winston Churchill

## How can I help at home?

Have a look at a map of the world and identify the main countries involved in WW2. Ask your child to show you which countries were allies of Britain. Discuss how children’s lives were affected by WW2 and how they might have felt about evacuation and rationing. With your child, try cooking some wartime recipes.

### Weblinks

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[DK Findout](#)

[1940s Experiment](#)

### Places to Visit

[Churchill War Rooms](#)

[RAF Hendon](#)

### Recommended Books

- Rain Player by David Wisniewski
- The History Detective Investigates: Mayan Civilization by Clare Hibbert
- War Boy by Michael Foreman
- Goodnight Mr Tom by Michelle Majorian
- Carrie’s War by Nina Bawden
- The History Detective Investigates: Mayan Civilization by Clare Hibbert
- Once series by Morris Gleitzmann
- The Usborne Introduction to The Second World War
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# Year 6: The Maya

**Key Vocabulary:** astronomy, architecture, civilisation, economy, empire, indigenous, Mesoamerica, society, trade

## How can I help at home?

Talk to your child about the location of the Maya Empire and the countries that the civilisation was located across. Discuss what we mean by trade and why the Maya needed to do this. With your child, identify foods we eat today that have their origins in Mayan times.



### Weblinks

[BBC Bitesize](#)

[BBC Bitesize 2](#)

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### Other useful vocabulary

Ally	Liberate
Allies	Military
Anderson Shelter	Nazi
Atom bomb	Occupied
Axis	Propaganda
Adolf Hitler	Protection
Blitz	Rationing
Climate	Spitfire
Invasion	Winston Churchill