Reading 2 The Viking Times

The Viking Times

We Have Arrived!

AD787

After an arduous journey across the North Sea, we have finally reached our destination — England. The feeble, afraid Englishmen tried to cease us but we were too powerful and fought our way, as brutally as was necessary, onto the green and lush land.

We are here to find treasures (and probably steal them) before we return to our homes in Norway, Sweden and Denmark.

Our first raid was of the monastery at Lindisfarne, which was not very well



- 81 protected and contained
- 85 valuable goods like gold
- 88 and jewels, imported
- 92 foods and other useful
- 95 materials for trade.
- 99 England is more pleasant
- 103 and lucrative than we
- 104 thought!

Questions

- 1. Which word means 'stop?
- 2. Where did the Vikings come from?
- 3. Find two adjectives which are antonyms (opposites) of each other.
- 4. How does the Viking's view of England change?



As with all our reading activities, they can be printed off or read online and answered on paper, in home learning books, etc.

The answers are on the last page. No peeking until you have finished.

Have fun!

Answers

1. Which word means 'stop?

Accept: cease.

2. Where did the Vikings come from?

Accept: Norway, Sweden and Denmark.

3. Find two adjectives which are antonyms of each other.

Accept 'powerful' and 'feeble'.

4. How does the Viking's view of England change?

Accept reference to the fact that at the beginning, they are just coming to steal before returning home, but by the end they are more positive about England and considering staying.