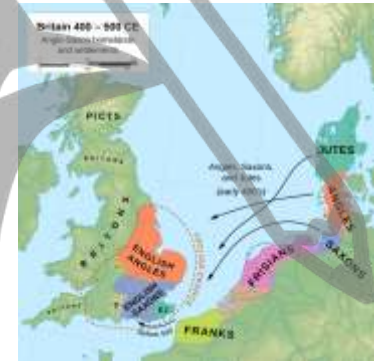


History - Raid and Invade

Key Vocabulary

Anglo-Saxons	Collective name given to people from Jute, Angle and Saxony.
Seaborne	Travelled by sea in order to settle.
Invade	When an armed force enters a country or region in order to occupy it.
Settlement	Establishment of a new community or location.

The Anglo-Saxons were a group of Germanic peoples who migrated and settled in Britain from the 5th century AD, after the end of Roman rule. They were a mixture of people who came from Germany, Denmark and the Netherlands.



These groups eventually formed a unified culture in Britain, and their language, Old English became the basis of the English language.

There were seven major Anglo-Saxon kingdom referred to as the Heptarchy:

- Northumbria
- Mercia
- East Anglia
- Essex
- Kent
- Sussex
- Wessex



Anglo-Saxon place names often incorporate elements that described the landscape, settlement type, or the people who lived there. Common suffixes include: -ham (Homestead), -tun/ton (farm or village), -ford (shallow river crossing), -ley, -leigh (woodland clearing) and -wic (farm or diary).

Can you name any towns or cities that end in these suffixes?

Key Dates

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Anglo-Saxon grave goods were items buried with the dead offering insights into their lives, beliefs and social status.



Sutton Hoo is an Anglo-Saxon royal burial site in Suffolk, England. It is famous for a discovery of a ship burial containing extraordinary treasures from the Anglo-Saxon period.



Augustine was a Benedictine monk who became the first Archbishop of Canterbury. He was sent by Pope Gregory the Great in 597 to establish the Christian church in England and evangelise Anglo-Saxons in England.

The Anglo Saxon Period:

The Anglo Saxon period lasted from 449 AD to 1066. Here is a brief timeline of events:

449 AD - The Anglo Saxon invaders arrive in Britain from mainland Europe.

600 AD - Anglo Saxon gradually take over Britain.

793 AD - Viking attack from Norway.

871 AD - Alfred the Great becomes the King of Wessex.

924 AD - Athelstan becomes the King of Wessex.

937 AD - Athelstan defeats rebels in battle.

939 AD - Vikings invade England and take back the north.

1042 AD - Edward the Confessor becomes king.

1066 AD - King Harold is killed in Battle Of Hastings ending the Anglo Saxon period.