

Primary History

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Lesson 5

What were the similarities and differences between Norse and Anglo-Saxon beliefs?

Key questions

1. What did the Anglo-Saxons believe in?
2. What were the similarities between Anglo-Saxon and Norse beliefs?
3. What were the differences between Anglo-Saxon and Norse beliefs?



Quiz

1. Read the statements below. Tick 'True' or 'False' for each one.
 - a. There were no more Viking raids while Alfred was king. True False
 - b. Edward and Aethelflaed drove the Vikings out of England. True False
 - c. Edward and Aethelflaed became King and Queen of Britain. True False
 - d. The English won the Battle of Maldon against the Vikings. True False

2. Why did the St Brice's Day massacre happen? Write your answer.

3. How did Canute prevent Viking raids? Write your answer.

4. Match these facts about English rulers to the correct names.
Draw lines between them.

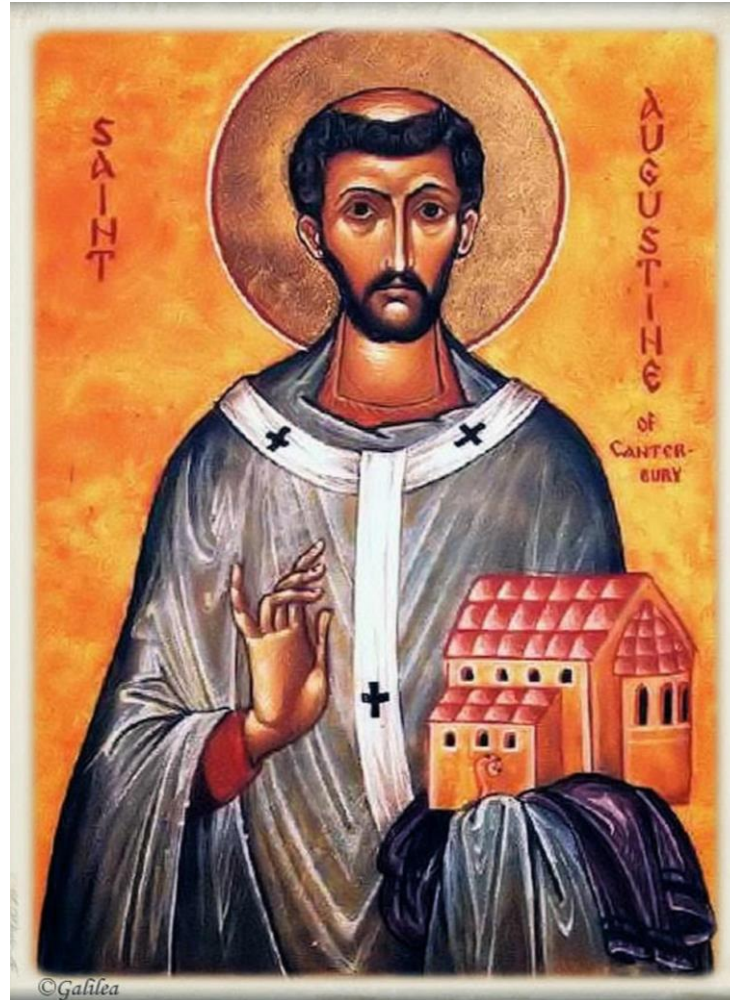
He invaded England after the St Brice's Day massacre.
He defeated the Danes in Northumbria and became King of all of England.
He ordered the St Brice's Day massacre.
They were the son and daughter of King Alfred.
He was the King of Denmark, England and Norway.
He defeated Guthrum's Great Heathen Army in 878.

Alfred
Edward of Wessex and Aethelflaed of Mercia
Athelstan
Ethelred
Sweyn Forkbeard
Canute

Quiz answers

1. a. True; b. True; c. False; d. False
2. For example: King Ethelred paid Danegeld to the Vikings but the Vikings kept raiding England, so Ethelred ordered all Danes in England to be killed.
3. For example: Canute paid a large amount of Danegeld to Viking warriors to return home.

4. He invaded England after the St Brice's Day massacre: **Sweyn Forkbeard**
He defeated the Danes in Northumbria and became King of all England:
Athelstan
He ordered the St Brice's Day massacre: **Ethelred**
They were the son and daughter of King Alfred: Edward of Wessex and
Aethelflaed of Mercia
He was the King of Denmark, England and Norway: **Canute**
He defeated Guthrum's Great Heathen Army in 878: **Alfred**



Augustine, holding a model of a monastery



Viking bronze cross

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