Autumn Term 2: The Norman Conquest



Key Vocabulary for Lessons

Subject	History
Year	7
Unit	Norman Conquest
Key Word	Meaning
Edward the Confessor	The Anglo-Saxon King whose death led to a competition for the throne of England.
Successor	The person who replaces a monarch that has died.
Exile	When someone is forced to leave a country for a set period of time.
Monarch	The King or Queen
Contender	Someone who is competing to achieve something
Nobility	The people who are ranked just below the royalty. They help run the country for the King.
Earl	One of the most important titles given to the Nobility.
Tostig Godwinson	Harold Godwinson's brother, who had joined Harald Hardrada's side.
Hostage	Someone who is taken prisoner during a war.
March	When an army walks together to a battle.
Berserker	A Viking soldier who became so crazy during battle that they would apparently gain superhuman strength.
Shield Wall	Lining your army up in a line with their shields facing the opposition.
Senlac Hill	The hill on which the Battle of Hastings took place.
Cavalry	Soldiers trained to fight on horses.
Feigned Retreat	When an army fakes that they are going to run away.
Fortune	Luck.
Tactics	The methods you use to win something.
Narrative account	The story of how an event happened.
Coronation	The ceremony that takes place to crown a Monarch.
Harry	To repeatedly attack something aggressively.
Domesday Book	A book containing details of who owns what in England.
Motte and Bailey	A type of castle that was built by William in England after the conquest.
Кеер	The part of a castle where people live.
Intimidation	To try and scare someone into following the rules.
William Rufus	William the Conqueror's oldest son and heir, who becomes William II
Charter of Liberties	A group of man who were given powerful roles, who had proviously not had
New men	A group of men who were given powerful roles, who had previously not had this power.

Homework Policy

- Homework will be set fortnightly on Teams.
- It will consist of a series of retrieval questions

Additional Opportunities

If you wish to further develop your skills and knowledge for History, you can use the following links:

• BBC Bitesize: https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zshtyrd