

# VIKINGS



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The Vikings lived in Northern Europe during the Middle Ages. The name Viking, from the Old Norse language, means pirate raid. Vikings were farmers, fishermen, craftsmen, traders, and warriors.

Vikings were not afraid of war. They used lightning attacks against their enemies. These sudden, daring battles help earned their reputation as fighters and barbarians. Vikings thought that honor and glory in battle were most important. They believed that those who died in battle went to the Viking heaven called Valhalla.

While soldiers wear uniforms, Vikings used their own clothing and weapons. They wore leather and woolen tunics, chain mail, and leather boots or shoes. Weapons included knives, swords, bow and arrows, axes, shields, and iron spearheads. When Vikings died in battle, they were buried with their sword or spear. Rich noble Vikings were buried in their ships.

Viking Gods: Just like many early civilizations, Vikings celebrated gods and goddesses. Odin was god of wisdom and war. Thor was god of thunder and protector of man. Frey was god of generosity. Other gods included Loki, who was part devil and liked to play pranks. Female Viking warriors were called Valkyries.

Explorers: Vikings went on many expeditions to explore new territory, raid villages, trade and ship goods, and steal. Some settled in northern France, calling it Normandy, which means northmen. Those who traveled east in the 10th century were called "Rus." This is how Russia got its name. By the 11th century, Vikings expanded their travels, heading to North America. Leif Erikson, son of Erik the Red, was the Viking who landed in Canada. He arrived in North America 500 years before Christopher Columbus. Sometimes the Vikings' travels were peaceful, but other times it was ruthless and violent. Those peaceful excursions were when Vikings farmed the land and worked on their various crafts. The Vikings were simply the best explorers in ancient times.

Viking Longships: The Vikings traveled by longships. These long, narrow, light ships moved fast. They were designed for easy and quick maneuvers. Because they were shallow, they could float onto beaches. They also held small rowboats. Vikings could row the boats, but there was also a mast and sail for sailing. Vikings had other cargo ships called Knarr. They used merchant ships, as well as ferries and fishing boats. Vikings were excellent shipbuilders. Long

What was Viking heaven called? \*

- Valhalla
- Tikal
- Valkyrie
- Knarr

What were female Viking warriors called? \*

- Shieldmaidens
- Freys
- Valkyries
- None of the above

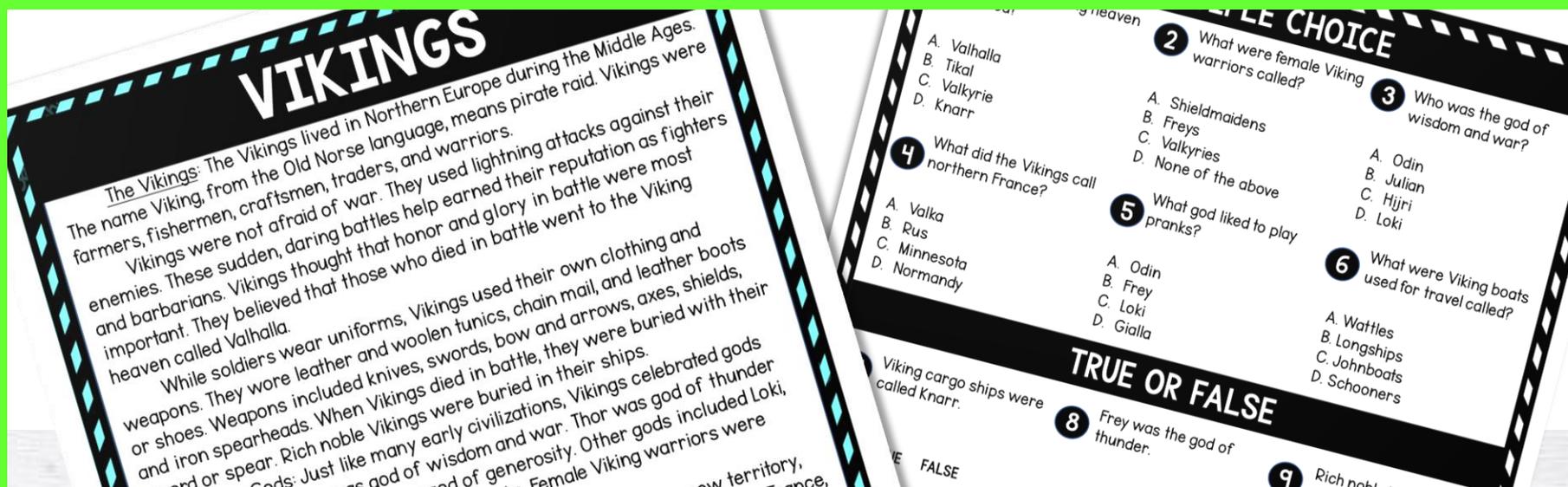
Who was the god of wisdom and war? \*

- Odin
- Julian
- Hiji
- Loki



# READING PASSAGE

# 15 QUESTIONS



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# INCLUDED

- ✓ READING PASSAGE
- ✓ TEACHER DIRECTIONS
  - ✓ ANSWER KEY
  - ✓ 15 QUESTIONS
  - ✓ SELF-GRADING
- ✓ PRINTABLE VERSION
- ✓ DIGITAL VERSION



# QUESTION TYPES

-  **MULTIPLE CHOICE (6)**
-  **TRUE OR FALSE (9)**
-  **EDITABLE QUESTIONS  
(FOR DIGITAL VERSION)**

True

False



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✓ GOOGLE™ ACCOUNTS

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ENLARGE OR SHRINK THE SCREEN

True

False



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**SUB PLANS**



**UNIT REVIEW**



**ENRICHMENT ACTIVITY**



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