

## Year 7 – The Norman Conquest – How did William the Conqueror control England after 1066?

Spring 2

### Key vocabulary

<b>Normans</b>	People who lived in Normandy in Northern France who were originally Vikings from Scandinavia.
<b>Harald Hardrada</b>	Harald of Norway was King of Norway from 1046 to 1066.
<b>Harold Godwinson</b>	Harold II was the last crowned Anglo-Saxon king of England. He reigned from 6 January 1066 until his death at the Battle of Hastings.
<b>William of Normandy</b>	William I / William the Conqueror was the first Norman King of England, reigning from 1066 until his death in 1087.
<b>Battle of Hastings</b>	fought on 14 October 1066 between the Norman-French army of William, the Duke of Normandy, and an English army under the Anglo-Saxon King Harold Godwinson, beginning the Norman conquest of England.
<b>Bayeux Tapestry</b>	An embroidered cloth (nearly 70 metres long and 50 centimetres tall) that depicts the events leading up to the Norman conquest of England.
<b>Domesday Book</b>	Britain's earliest public record containing the results of a huge survey of land and landholding commissioned by William I in 1085.
<b>Feudal system</b>	A way of organising society into different groups based on their roles. It had the king at the top and the peasants at the bottom.



### Key dates:

**September 1066 – Harald Hardrada invades England; he defeats the English at the Battle of Fulford.**

**1066 - Saxon victory over invading Vikings at the Battle of Stamford Bridge. Harold II defeats and kills Harald Hardrada.**

**14 October 1066 -The invading Normans defeat the Saxons at The Battle of Hastings. William of Normandy defeats and kills Harold II and becomes King of England.**

**1070 – First Norman stone castle built in Wales.**

**1077 - Bayeux Tapestry, illustrating the Battle of Hastings, is completed.**

**1085 - The Domesday Book is compiled.**

**9 September 1087 - William the Conqueror dies at Rouen, Normandy.**

Sequence of learning:

A place in time – England 1066

Who should be King?

The Norman invasion

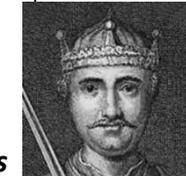
Exploring chronology through artefacts -The Bayeux Tapestry. How reliable is it as a source of evidence?

Life under William's rule

Castles and keeps

The Domesday Book

The end of an era



### Key Skills:

Understand and use timelines with confidence to plot key periods in British and World History

Identify significant events from periods studied

Consider & explain the significance of events, people and developments in their context and in the present

Explain the causes and effects of events

Order causes and/or effects into a hierarchy of significance with personal justifications

Identify and explain change and continuity within and across periods

Pursue historically valid enquiries, including some they have created themselves

Understand how different types of sources are used rigorously to make historical claims

**Personal Enquiry: An aspect of Domesday England.**

**Final outcome: Pictorial 'Bayeux Tapestry style' representation of William I's life.**

**Having decided who should be the next King in 1066 after the death of Edward the Confessor (the last Anglo-Saxon King), we look at the life of William I and the decisions he made.**