

Who were the Anglo-Saxons?

How can we learn about the Anglo-Saxons from artefacts?

Archaeologists 'dig up' artefacts and study them to find out about the culture and times from history. Read the powerpoint on [Anglo-Saxon Artefacts and Culture](#) to find out a little more about what we can learn from artefacts.

Use the '[Examining Artefacts](#)' sheet to choose an artefact, draw it and record some information around it. Use the '[Historian Questions](#)' activity sheet to support this. The Activity Sheet '[Artefacts Information](#)' has most of the facts you will need!



What is an Illuminated letter and how are they significant to the Anglo-Saxons?



The Anglo-Saxons borrowed art styles from a number of different countries. Illuminated letters were used to decorate and communicate meaning as many people could not read. Monks and Priests would create beautiful works of art based on the first letter on the page. Read the two powerpoints on

ILLUMINATED LETTERS to get an idea and then create one of your own!

[Illuminated Letters Powerpoint](#) – [Illuminations Powerpoint](#)

Can you be the next CSI Investigator?

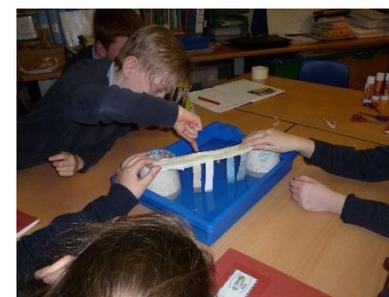
(exploring materials and their properties)

Which material is best for mopping up spills?

As you can see, our next Science topic is materials and their properties. This experiment explores the absorbency of some everyday materials. Watch the [video clip](#) of some children testing various properties of materials.

Set up a similar experiment with some materials found in the home. Use a washing up bowl and a ruler to hang the materials in some water. Measure the absorbency and then fill in the [investigation worksheet](#).

Just check with an adult before you start.



What does reflective or translucent mean?

Explore what the meanings of property words are. (see worksheet – [Differentiated Material Properties and Definitions](#)). Match the definitions to the properties words. (one star version – 1 and 2)

Now try to find some examples of materials in your that have those properties. can draw them on the '[examples of properties](#)' sheet.



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