

Reading 3

Read the text below and choose the most suitable word for each blank from the words given.

What was life like in Viking Britain?

The Vikings ...*were*...not all bloodthirsty raiders. Some came to fight, but (1) came to Britain to live peacefully.

Their long ships brought families who settled in villages. (2) were farmers, who kept animals and (3) crops, and skillful craft workers, who (4) beautiful metalwork. Everyone lived together in a large home called a longhouse.

The Vikings (5) brought their way of life and beliefs. The Norse people worshipped many gods and loved to tell stories of magic and monsters around the fire.



What was Viking society like?

At the top of Viking society was the king. He was the most (6) person in all the land and everyone looked up to (7)

Being a king cost a lot of money, because they had to make sure their kingdom was (8) and that their followers were loyal .

Below the king were the nobles or wealthy Vikings known as *jarls*. They were rich landowners or traders and they employed men to work for (9)

Then there were the *karls*. They were the everyday people and (10) jobs like farming and craft work. Karls weren't (11) rich or important as the jarls, but they weren't poor either.

At the bottom of the pile were the *thralls* or enslaved people: if they tried to run away they could be killed. (12), if thralls could earn enough money they could buy their freedom.

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31. Write the word that corresponds to each number:

ALSO	AS	DID	GREW
HIM	HOWEVER	MADE	OTHERS
POWERFUL	SAFE	THEM	THERE

1		7	
2		8	
3		9	
4		10	
5		11	
6		12	