

LISTENING _THE VIKINGS

A. You will hear a part of a radio interview about the Vikings broadcast on the occasion of a recently opened Exhibition at the National Museum of Natural History in Washington. As you listen choose the correct answer from A, B or C. Read through the multiple choice questions and options before you listen.

PART ONE

1. What initial statement does the interviewer make:
 - A. The Vikings were destroyed by the Anglo –Saxons
 - B. They were brutal and feared by other people
 - C. They were killed wherever they appeared
2. According to professor Jennings, The Vikings were:
 - A. Expert craftsmen
 - B. Brave fishermen
 - C. Only raiders
3. The term 'Viking' means:
 - A. Old Norse
 - B. Bay
 - C. Raid
4. Professor Jennings says that the Vikings:
 - A. Very soon converted to Christianity
 - B. Were not able to farm the land
 - C. Worshipped the gods Odin, Thor and Freya
5. Their ships:
 - A. Had sails but not oars
 - B. Could sail the seas but not the rivers
 - C. Could reach faraway lands

B. List the precious things the Vikings could not find at home:

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C. What did the Vikings realize in the late VIII Century?

D. When did the reign of Viking terror officially begin?

PART TWO

3. Listen to the second part of the interview and complete the following activity

- List the reasons why the Vikings decided to sail across the Atlantic.

PART THREE

3. Listen to an extract on Viking ships and write notes about the following elements:

- The prow

-the crew

-the sails

-The structure

-Sense of direction

