

Language Schools Activity sheet

Fill out this worksheet as you explore Dublinia

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Level 1 Viking Dublin



The Vikings came to Ireland to attack monasteries and steal their gold and silver. They settled in Dublin in 841AD and brought a new culture to Ireland.

1. LOOK Go into the next room and see what a Viking Camp looked like. The Vikings had weapons they used in battle. From the list below circle 3 weapons and armour you see on display.

Hairbrush Helmet Sword Gun Camera Spear

2. WRITE The Vikings carved messages on stone using Rune Letters. Write your name in Runes in the box below.

3. LISTEN The camp soon grew into a busy town. In the next room a merchant is selling one of Dublin's main exports. SLAVES! What word is he using to describe the slave? _____

4. LIFT In the final room there is some chainmail. This was used by elite warriors to protect them in battle. Lift it up and guess how heavy it is, but be careful! _____

Walk upstairs to level 2

2

Level 2 Medieval Dublin



On this floor you will visit a Medieval house and street, a Medieval port, a Medieval Fair and an exhibition about Death and Disease. After 1169 AD, Dublin became an English colony. The town began to look like an English town but the population included Irish, French and Italian people.

Go into the first room on the left – Medieval House and Street.

1. LOOK In this house you will see a kitchen with types of food or meat people ate. Write down three foods/animals you see on the table or hanging up.

1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____

Go through the street over the bridge and onto a ship!

New
Viking
Words

CAMP – an area outside where people live for a short time

ARMOUR – clothes worn to protect you from getting hurt during battle

MOSS – a small leafy plant

RUNE – the name given to letters used by the Vikings

New
Medieval
Words

DISEASE – sickness

FAIR – an event where people came to buy and sell their goods

INSTRUMENTS – what we make music with

STALL – area used as a shop

SPICES – flavour put into food when cooking

PLAGUE – a disease which is spread quickly among people

2. DESCRIBE The sailors on this ship are working hard. Can you describe what they are doing? _____

Pass by the model of Dublin and visit the Fair.

3. LISTEN Move around the different stalls such as the pie stall, spice stall or try on the medieval clothes. There is music playing in the background. Can you pick out two instruments you can hear from the list below?

Guitar Flute Piano Drum Violin

4. LOOK Life was difficult in Medieval Dublin and people got sick. The Black Death plague killed almost one third of the population. Watch the short film. What animal carried the disease into Ireland? _____

Walk up stairs to level 3