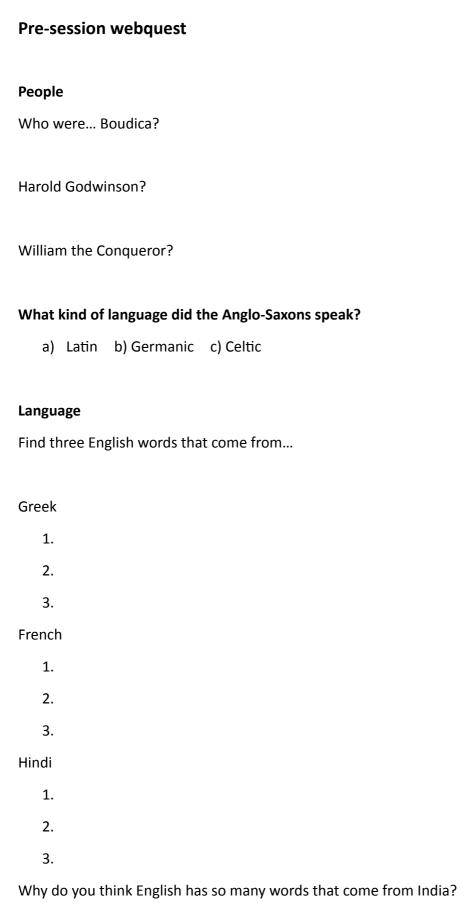


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Post-session comprehension

Who? Where?

What are the four countries in the United Kingdom?

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What makes the English different from the others, historically?

Culture

True or false?

- Beowulf was written by a man called Alfred
- The film of Beowulf is one of the best British films ever
- The story was written in Old English

Which of these musicians is not English?

- Arctic Monkeys
- Lana Del Rey
- Amy Winehouse

Places

Rearrange these anagrams to spell English cities

- Kory
- Deehanimad
- Doxfro

- Stancherme
- Donoln



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Reading comprehension (higher)

Read the article below and answer the questions.

Boudicca was married to the ruler of the Iceni people of East Britain. When the Romans conquered southern England in AD 43, they allowed her husband to continue to rule. However, when he died the Romans decided to rule the Iceni directly and <u>confiscated</u> the property of the leading tribesmen. They are also said to have whipped Boudicca and kidnapped her daughters. These actions <u>exacerbated widespread resentment</u> at Roman rule.

In 60 AD, while the Roman governor was leading a campaign in North Wales, the Iceni rebelled. Members of other tribes joined them.

Boudicca's warriors successfully defeated the Legion and destroyed the capital of Roman Britain, then at Colchester. They went on to destroy London and other cities and towns. Thousands were killed. Finally, Boudicca was defeated by a Roman army sent as reinforcements. Many Britons were killed and Boudicca is thought to have poisoned herself to <u>avoid capture</u>. The site of the battle, and of Boudicca's death, are unknown.

What do you think the underlined words mean?

confiscate

- a) destroy
- b) take away
- c) wash

exacerbated widespread resentment

- a) made people angrier
- b) made people less angry
- c) made people hide their daughters

avoid capture

- a) not get killed
- b) not get eaten
- c) not get caught



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Reading comprehension (lower)

Read the article below and answer the questions.

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In 60 AD, while the Roman governor was leading a his army in North Wales, the Iceni <u>rebelled</u>. Members of other tribes joined them.

Boudicca's warriors successfully <u>defeated</u> the Legion and destroyed the capital of Roman Britain, then at Colchester. They went on to destroy London and other cities and towns. Thousands were killed. Finally, Boudicca was <u>defeated</u> by a Roman army sent as reinforcements. Many Britons were killed and Boudicca is thought to have poisoned herself to stop the Romans catching her. The site of the battle, and of Boudicca's death, are unknown.

What do you think the underlined words mean?

<u>furious</u>

- a) very happy
- b) very angry
- c) very interested

rebel

- a) fight against a ruler
- b) lose a fight
- c) have a party

<u>defeat someone</u>

- a) become friends with someone
- b) lose against someone
- c) win against someone