

Longship

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Think



- What is this?
- What sort of ship does it represent?
- Who sailed in those ships?
- Where did they travel?



Respond



Imagine you are onboard a Viking ship. Keep a diary of your travels. Are you trading goods with far off lands or are you part of a band of warriors on a raid? Use powerful verbs and varying sentence length to build suspense.

Discuss



Sea trade is still very important today. Why is so much cargo still transported by ship? What are the benefits of international trade?

Discover



Fact: Viking trade and exploration extended far beyond Northern Europe. Merchants traded throughout Europe, Asia, the Far East and even reached North America!

Question: How did Viking sailors travel to such distant places? What routes did they take? Create a map showing trade routes during the Viking age. You could decorate your map with runic letters, illustrations or stain the paper to make it look like parchment.

Solve



It is 380 nautical miles from Jorvik (York), England, to Stavanger, Norway. If a longship travels 120 nautical miles a day, how many days will the journey take? How many hours?

Challenge: There are 1.15 miles in a nautical mile. How far is the journey in miles?

Reimagine



Create an origami paper boat and decorate it in the style of a Viking longship. You could even hold a competition with your classmates to see whose sails the farthest.

Longship **Answers**

If a longship travels 120 nautical miles a day, how many days will the journey take?	How far is the journey in miles?
$380 \text{ nautical miles} \div 120 = 3 \text{ days } r4 \text{ hours}$ The ship would arrive on the fourth day.	$380 \text{ nautical miles} \times 1.15 = 437 \text{ miles}$
How many hours?	
There are 24 hours in a day. $120 \div 24 = 5 \text{ nautical miles per hour}$ $380 \div 5 = 76 \text{ hours}$	