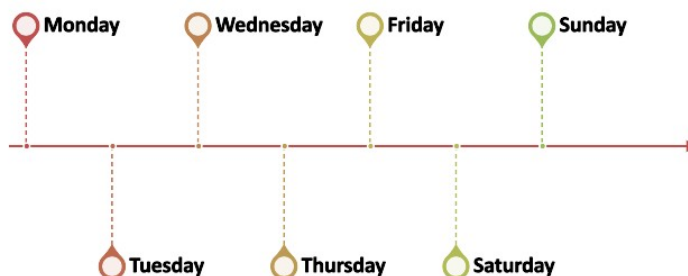


KS2 Unit 2 Lesson 3 Nifty Norse: Days of the Week

Worksheet



A) The Days of the Week in English.

1. Why are there seven days in a week?
2. Monday and Sunday are the easy ones. Why are they so called?
3. What about Saturday? What's that got to do with Saturn?
4. So, what about the other four?
Tuesday is Tiw's day
Wednesday is Woden's day
Thursday is Thor's day
Friday is Frigge's day.

B) Let's compare it to French

Sunday

Dimanche

1. Where are the similarities?
2. Who has gone missing?



3. Mardi, Mercredi, Jeudi and Vendredi are named after Roman gods. Which ones?

4. What were they gods of?

5. Where else can these names be found?

6. What about Dimanche?

[The Italian for Sunday is Domenica, the Spanish is Domingo]

C) Let's compare it to German.
Sunday Sonntag

1. What is the German for day?

2. What is the German for 'moon'?

3. What is the German for 'sun'?

4. 'Woche' means 'week' in German, so what does 'mitt' mean?

5. 'Donner' means 'thunder' in German. What's that got to do with Thursday or even Jeudi?

6. Where, and why, are the German days like the English days?

