

Lesson: History

Age range: KS2, Year 4-6, ages 7 -11

Topic: Anglo-Saxon Materials and Technology 1

Plan: 2 of 4

Resources:

1: <http://www.finds.org.uk/>

2: You can print off the simple form for children to fill in with their findings from the teacher part of the Learning section of the PAS's children's web site, www.pastexplorers.org.uk

Objectives	Activity	Group sizes	Timings
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• To understand the materials and technology used in an Anglo-Saxon village	Introduction Introduce today's big question, what materials were used in Anglo Saxon times? How did the technology differ from what we are used to today?	Whole class	5 minutes
	Main <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Children explore West Mucking to find out about technology and materials used• Questions-what were objects made of (get children to look at cooking pots, items of dress, houses).• How did the Anglo-Saxons make wooden objects, cooking pots, houses, combs, brooches, cloth?• How did they ensure that they had the raw materials that they needed?	In 2s or table groups	20-25mins
	Children present findings		10-15 minutes

Class homework suggestion

Set children off on an object hunt-like a treasure hunt where they look for the following objects in their home:

- A pan for cooking food
- A bowl for serving food
- A storage container
- A comb or brush
- A brooch

Ask children to fill in a form for these modern objects too, The comparison of the Anglo-Saxon and modern day objects, what they are made of, how they are made can form the introduction for the next lesson in the series

Teacher's notes:

Evidence and information is on line, no need for books to complete tasks.

Explain that the PAS records thousands of real archaeological finds made by members of the public in England and Wales every year and that the PAS database is a real, cutting edge data gathering and handling tool that the children can interrogate.