

Read the report with/to an adult and teach them about the Viking Gods. Did they learn anything new? What was their favourite fact?



Who's Who?

Gruesome Gods

ODIN

Odin was chief of all of the Norse gods, and the wisest of the lot. If you wanted to ask him for something, you had to give him a sacrifice of one of your enemies first.

All the gods lived in Asgard, but Odin had a special hall there called Valhalla. He had all the gear – a spear that never missed, a magic ring, a goat that gave mead (a kind wine brewed from honey) instead of milk, and an eight-legged horse which could run twice as fast (makes sense!).

THOR

Thunder god Thor was the most popular Viking god: hard-drinking, hard-fighting and hard as nails! In stormy weather he would roll through the sky in his two-goat-power chariot – the thunder was the sound of its massive wheels. Thor's weapon was a mighty hammer that flew back to his hand once he had thrown it – but he needed special iron gloves to catch it with! He also wore a belt of strength. In other words, Thor was a bit like a modern comic superhero like Batman or Superman, complete with costume!

Foul Facts

The two giant goats that pulled Thor's chariot were also handy snacks. If Thor killed and ate them, but kept the skin and bones, they would magically come back to life!

Use the rest of this page to write down your top 3 facts from the report.