

Launchpad: History Year 12 2026

Use the websites below, plus your own research to answer the following questions in as much detail as possible.

Knowledge

1. Why was there a succession crisis in 1066?
2. Why did William the Conqueror win the Battle of Hastings?
3. What was the Harrying of the North?
4. What is the Feudal System and how did it work in medieval England?



https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLcvEcrsF_9zK2bOCseaghBlucwf9pcsFX

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Norman_Conquest



Sources

1. What is the Bayeux Tapestry? What does it depict? How useful is it for understanding the Norman Conquest?
2. What is Domesday Book? What does it reveal about the Conquest?
3. What is the Anglo-Saxon Chronicle? Why is it a useful source for the Norman Conquest?

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=F8OPQ_28mdo

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=72-w8ZhNV8I>

<https://www.historic-uk.com/HistoryUK/HistoryofEngland/Anglo-Saxon-Chronicle/>



Interpretations

1. "1066 is the most significant date in English history" (Marc Morris *The Norman Conquest*)
Why does Marc Morris make this claim, how convincing is his claim?

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MKA-Sn_Q-xk

