

Talking Vikings

Tales of Gods, Giants, Trolls and Tricksters

A traditional, interactive Viking style, oral storytelling workshop,
designed to engage the imagination



A full day workshop looking at Literacy and History

Suitable for KS2 pupils





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with Heather Sharpe

Storyteller Heather Sharpe brings to life exciting stories and myths told by the Vikings!

This workshop engages pupils in a range of Viking related activities around myths, tales and folk lore. Pupils will hear a specially adapted version of the myth – ‘Thor’s Journey To Utgard’, told in two parts to include a cliff-hanger and an invitation to predict the ending. Talking Vikings is designed for delivery to 2 classes over the course of one day.

What the sessions involve

- Hearing a myth told in instalments, saga style
- Listening to tantalising tales and folk lore
- Taking part in a grand riddle contest, with kennings, charms and rune casting
- Tracking Viking settlement through place names
- Handling or discussing evocative artefacts and objects

Pupils will:

- Acquire knowledge and understanding of Viking mythology and folk lore
- Experience the power of traditional oral storytelling
- Learn about other aspects of Viking literary culture – riddles, kennings, runes
- Gain insight into the culture and beliefs
- Develop an awareness of a Viking settlement

The school needs to provide:

- A member of staff who must be present at all times
- A quiet room without interruptions during storytelling with space for pupils to sit in semi-circles
- A table, chair and glass of water for the storyteller

Cost and Availability:

For ArtForms Arts Development SLA schools this Creative Project is at a **discounted** rate of £224

For non SLA schools there will be a charge of £280 for this Creative Project.

Heather Sharpe is a skilled storyteller and English teacher who has worked for many years in a variety of Leeds schools and beyond. She has led numerous training courses in storytelling with teachers and parents. She has also provided training in higher education institutions and has acted as consultant in the creation of a Foundation Degree, focusing on storytelling and narrative.

HOW TO BOOK

[Leeds for Learning](#) is the new online booking system for all Leeds City council delivered training courses and programmes. To book this Creative Project for your school, please speak to your finance officer as they will have access to your schools Leeds for Learning account. If you have any questions or difficulties booking this Creative Project, please contact us (details below).

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