

Access to Higher Education Unit

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Unit Title: The Rise and Fall of the Normans in England

Graded Unit Reference Number: GA33HIS09

Ungraded Unit Reference Number: UA33HIS09

Module: History

Level: Three (3)

Credit Value: Three (3)

Minimum Guided Learning Hours: 30

| Learning Outcome (The Learner will): | Assessment Criterion (The Learner can): |
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| 1. Understand the historical background to Norman invasion of England | 1.1 Describe the Normans' Viking roots and assess the warrior characteristic of Norman culture |
| | 1.2 With reference to the reign of Edward the Confessor, evaluate the claims of William the Conqueror to the throne of England |
| | 1.3. Explain the events leading to the battle of Stamford Bridge in September 1066 and the impact of this on Harold Godwinson and his armies |
| | 1.4 Evaluate the reasons for the defeat of Harold Godwinson in October of 1066 at Senlac Ridge |
| 2. Be able to assess the impact on English society of the rule of William I | 2.1 Describe the ways by which the Normans consolidated their power in England |
| | 2.2 Evaluate the Saxon reaction to Norman rule and the ways in which William I dealt with rebellion |
| | 2.3 Describe the purpose and compilation of the Domesday Book |

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| 3. Understand the major issues that led to civil conflict in England following the death of William I | 3.1 Describe the factors leading to the civil war between supporters of William II and those of Robert of Normandy |
| | 3.2 Evaluate how the course of the civil war was determined by the cross-channel nature of the Norman realm |