

## Viking slave chain late-ninth or early-tenth century



Vikings loved stories about monsters, such as trolls, dragons and sea serpents.

Freyja was a Viking goddess, who wept golden tears when she was unhappy.

Viking longships could sail in shallow water. That meant they could travel up rivers as well as across the sea. In a raid, a ship could be hauled up on a beach and the Vikings could jump out and start fighting straight away, making a quick getaway if they were chased.

Viking teeth wore down very quickly because Viking bread was made with gritty flour.

Vikings often felt itchy and they combed their hair a lot.  
The reason – fleas and nits.