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Viking Longships Comprehension

Answer these questions in full sentences with capital letters and full stops.

Don't forget - The spellings that you might need could either be in the question or within the text.

1. What was the purpose of the carved figure head at the front?

2. How did the shape of the longship help it to travel quickly?

3. Why was the speed of the longship important for Vikings?

4. What is the stern of the ship and what happens there?

5. Do you think wool is the preferred material used for sails on modern boats today? Why/why not?

6. What was the purpose of the shields on the side of the ship?

7. Why was all eating and sleeping done on deck?

8. How would you evaluate the overall effectiveness of the Viking longship as a method of transportation? Give reasons for your answer.

