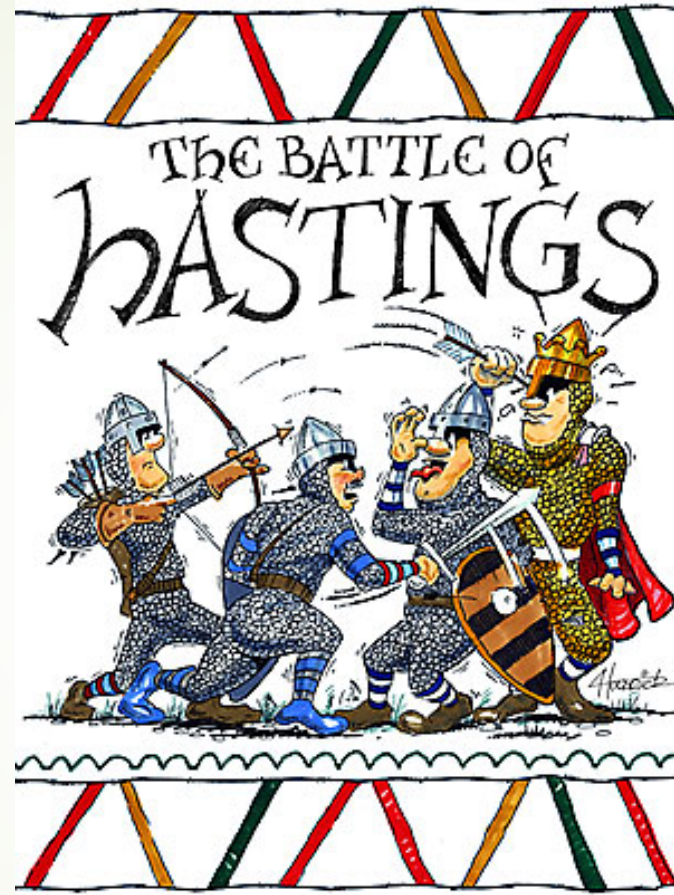


Why did William win the Battle of Hastings?



Starter - Let's recap...



- The Battle of Hastings was fought on.....
- The side at the top of the hill were.....
- William had 3 types of soldiers they were.....
- William got Harold down the hill by.....
- Once they were down the hill William and his men were able to.....
- Harold died by.....

Why DID William win the Battle of Hastings?

The wind changed and allowed William's troops to cross the Channel at a time when Harold's troops were away in the North

The Normans had knights on horseback who were skilled fighters

The battle began before Harold's troops were properly ready

William removed his helmet in the middle of the battle to show that he was still alive.

Some of Harold's best fighters (Housecarls) had died at Stamford Bridge

The Normans' clever trick of pretending to retreat caused the English to leave their strong position. This was called the 'feigned retreat'.

In the middle of the battle, Harold was killed. The English were weak without their leader

Stamford Bridge and the journey south made Harold's troops very tired

William arranged his troops carefully and used them skillfully in battle

The Normans prepared carefully. They brought with them a useful mixture of well equipped soldiers, archers and cavalry.

Task - PINS Assessment

- You are now going to write an essay on Why did William with the Battle of Hastings.
- You need to complete the essay sheet in **DETAIL** using your work from last lesson
- Make sure you explain each reason in **DETAIL**. Say as much as you can about it
- You also need to fill in the last paragraph explaining which reason you think is the most important and why.
- Watch your spellings and punctuations too!

