

Revision Topics for Year 8
Summer 2021
History

Topic	Elaboration
Who lived in England before the Normans	Hunters Celts Romans Anglo Saxons Vikings
What was England like before the Normans	1.5 million people Villages and a few small towns
Where did the Normans come from?	Viking pirates From the North of Europe Settled in Normandy 911
Battle of Hastings	14 th October 1066 Battle between Harold Earl of Godwin and William of Normandy Godwin's tactics – Senlac Hill William's tactics – pretend to retreat
Motte and Bailey Castles	Motte Keep Bailey Moat Wooden bridge Palisade/wooden fence
Stone castles - Attacking and Defending castles	Undermining Trebuchet Greek fire Battering ram Siege towers Sappers Mangonel archers
Life in a castle - people	Steward Constable Marshall Gong farmer
Life in a castle - rooms	Keep Great Hall Chapel Garderobe Well solar
Life in a castle – food and drink	Peasants rich