**ENQUIRY:** How can we view the Norman period as an age of anarchy?

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| **Unit intention:**   *This enquiry builds directly on students’ knowledge of the 'dark ages’ and the extent to which the conquest of the Duke of Normandy transformed or destroyed the nation. Students were introduced to the Britain following the end of the Roman Empire and have looked at the significance of education and continued wealth and Christianity across the isles. However, they will now develop an understanding of the feudal system in order to measure the extent of change.*  *Students’ will develop a greater understanding of the expectations of both women and men in power, and what was needed in order to secure power in the medieval world. This fits with the previous enquiry as it allows them to build towards a secure understanding of change and continuity/similarity and difference across the medieval period – but also develop a greater understanding of where, why and how history repeats itself.*  *Concept – Cause and consequence* | | | |
| **Success criteria** | | ✓ | X |
| 1. I can understand what Anglo Saxon Britain was like 2. I can describe the Norman period 3. I can describe how William the conqueror ruled 4. I can explain how Matilda is disputed as a queen 5. I can evaluate the significance monarchy during the anarchy | |  |  |
| **Unit summative and formative assessment details:**  Students will answer the enquiry question with an extended writing task  How can we view the Norman period as an age of anarchy? | | | |
| **Home Learning (What and how often:)**  **Weekly reading comprehension and/or meanwhile elsewhere.** | | | |
| **Topic Sequence**   * Duke of Normandy * 1066 * Introduction to anarchy * Stephen vs Matilda * Big write | **Recommended reading/viewing to support Home Learning:**  <https://www.britannica.com/event/Battle-of-Hastings>  [**https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zshtyrd/articles/z9mw8hv**](https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zshtyrd/articles/z9mw8hv)  [**https://www.historic-uk.com/HistoryUK/HistoryofEngland/Empress-Maud/**](https://www.historic-uk.com/HistoryUK/HistoryofEngland/Empress-Maud/)  **Recommended places to visit with your family:**  **Medieval Europe | British Museum** | | |

**End of Unit EVALUATION**

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| **Success criteria** – Have you met them? Show your evidence in the boxes below. |
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| **How will you improve your work?** |