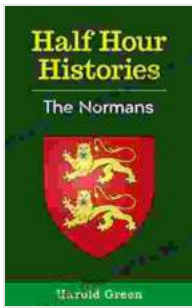


The Normans 1066-1153: A Pivotal Era in English History



The Norman Conquest, which took place in 1066, marked a significant turning point in English history. The Normans, originally from Normandy in northern France, invaded England and established a new ruling class that would shape the country's political, social, and cultural landscape for centuries to come. This article explores the Normans' rise to power, their impact on English society, and their legacy in the centuries that followed.



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The Battle of Hastings

The Norman Conquest began with the Battle of Hastings, which took place on October 14, 1066. The Norman army, led by William, Duke of Normandy, defeated the English army, led by King Harold Godwinson. The English suffered heavy casualties, including King Harold himself, who was killed in the battle.

The Norman victory at Hastings gave William, who would become known as William the Conqueror, control of England. The Normans quickly established themselves as the new ruling class, displacing the Anglo-Saxon nobility.

Norman Rule

The Norman Conquest brought about significant changes to English society. The Normans introduced a new legal system, based on the feudal system of Normandy. They also established a new system of local government, based on the Norman manor system.

The Normans also introduced a new language to England, Norman French. The Norman Conquest had a profound impact on the English language, which adopted many words from Norman French.

The Normans were also responsible for building some of England's most iconic landmarks, including the Tower of London and Windsor Castle.

The Anarchy

The Norman period was not without its challenges. The reign of King Stephen (1135-1154) was a time of civil war, known as the Anarchy. The Anarchy was caused by a succession dispute between Stephen and the rightful heir to the throne, Matilda, daughter of Henry I.

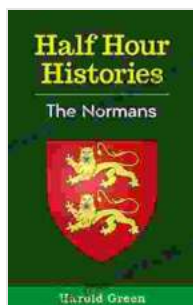
The Anarchy ended with the accession of Matilda's son, Henry II, in 1154. Henry II restored order to England and began a period of reforms that would shape the country for centuries to come.

The Legacy of the Normans

The Normans left a lasting legacy on English history. They introduced a new legal system, a new system of local government, a new language, and a new ruling class. The Normans also built many of England's most iconic landmarks.

The Norman Conquest was a watershed moment in English history. It marked the end of the Anglo-Saxon period and the beginning of the Norman period. The Normans would shape the course of English history for centuries to come.

The Normans were a powerful and influential force in English history. Their invasion in 1066 marked the beginning of a new era, and their impact on English society can still be seen today. The Normans' legacy is a fascinating and complex one, and it continues to be the subject of much study and debate.

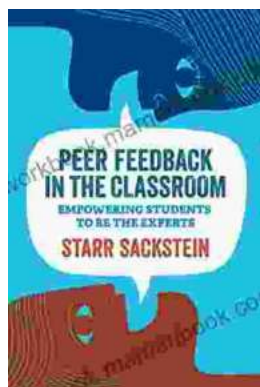


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