



What was Birkenhead like before the 19th Century?

We can often discover the origin of a town, city or place by looking at the origins of its name. Use a map of the Birkenhead and Wirral area to see how many locations you can list that may have Viking links.

Viking Place Word	Meaning
by	farm
thorpe	remote farm
topping	hill
berge	hill
beck	stream
holme	island or field in marshland
ton	farmstead/small village
toft	site of a house or a building
keld	spring
kirk	church
ness	headland

Viking Place Word

Location

Meaning

Example:

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Prenton

Farmstead/Small Village

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Historic England and Teacher's Pet have come together to bring you a collection of free resources that you can use in your local history teaching.



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Teacher's Pet

Who are Teacher's Pet?

Teacher's Pet have been providing downloadable and playable educational content to early years and primary school teachers for over 14 years. We cover all areas of the curriculum and use a team of in-house teachers and designers to create engaging and memorable concepts, that the children will love.

Why local history?

At [Teacher's Pet](#) we want to empower primary school teachers by giving them the tools they need to deliver inspiring and thoughtful lessons about the local area and its history. We believe local history teaching has such an important part to play in a child's wellbeing – helping to give children a sense of pride in where they live.

Our Local History project is designed to provide teachers across the UK with everything they need to successfully carry out a full scheme of teaching about their local area, through key enquiry questions and source led activities.

Working with [Historic England](#) gives us access to archived maps and photos for resources and information from knowledgeable local historians, as well helping us to provide the content to you free of charge.

For more information about our Local History project or to find out more about Teacher's Pet Classroom Resources, please visit our website.