



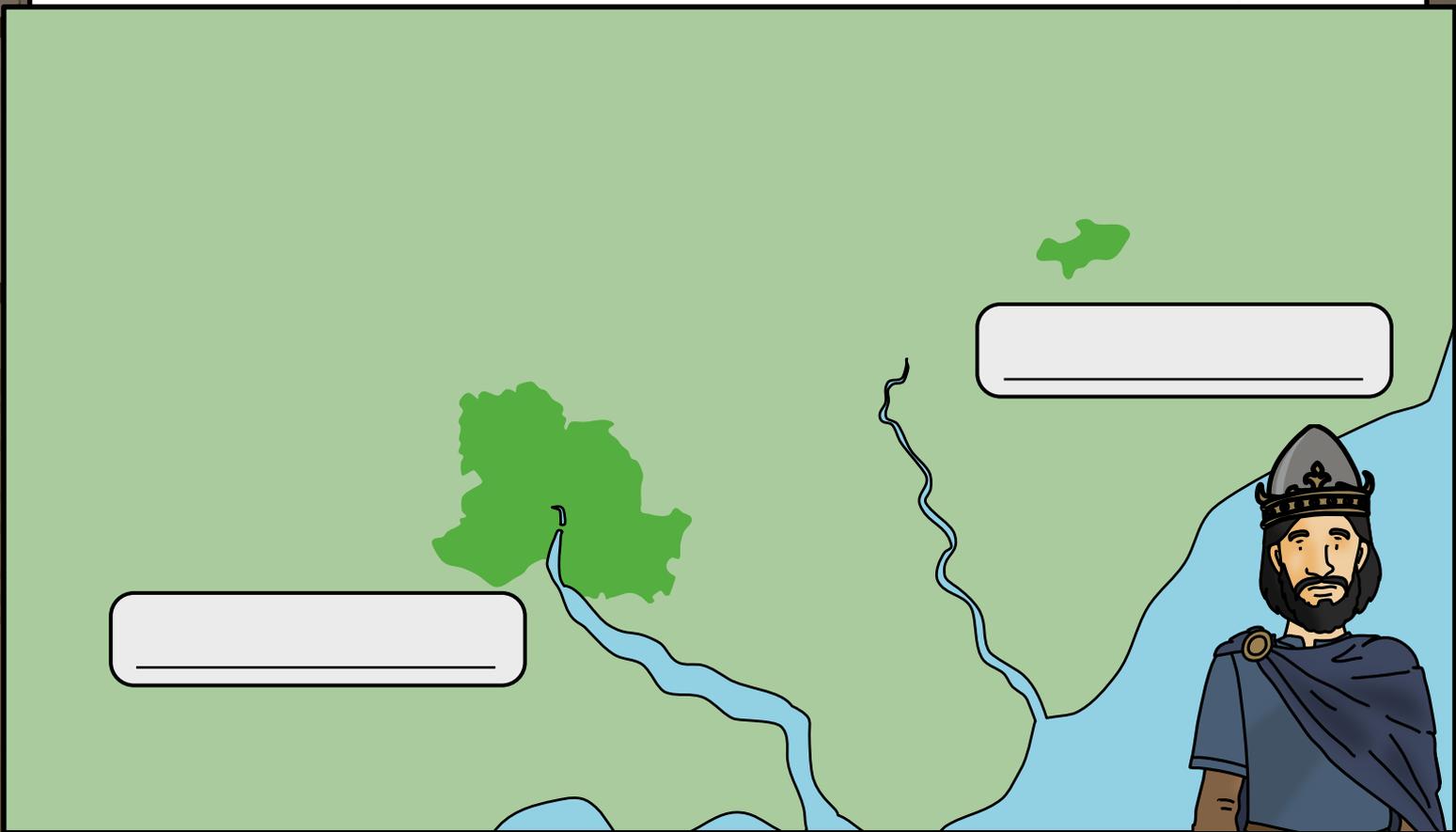
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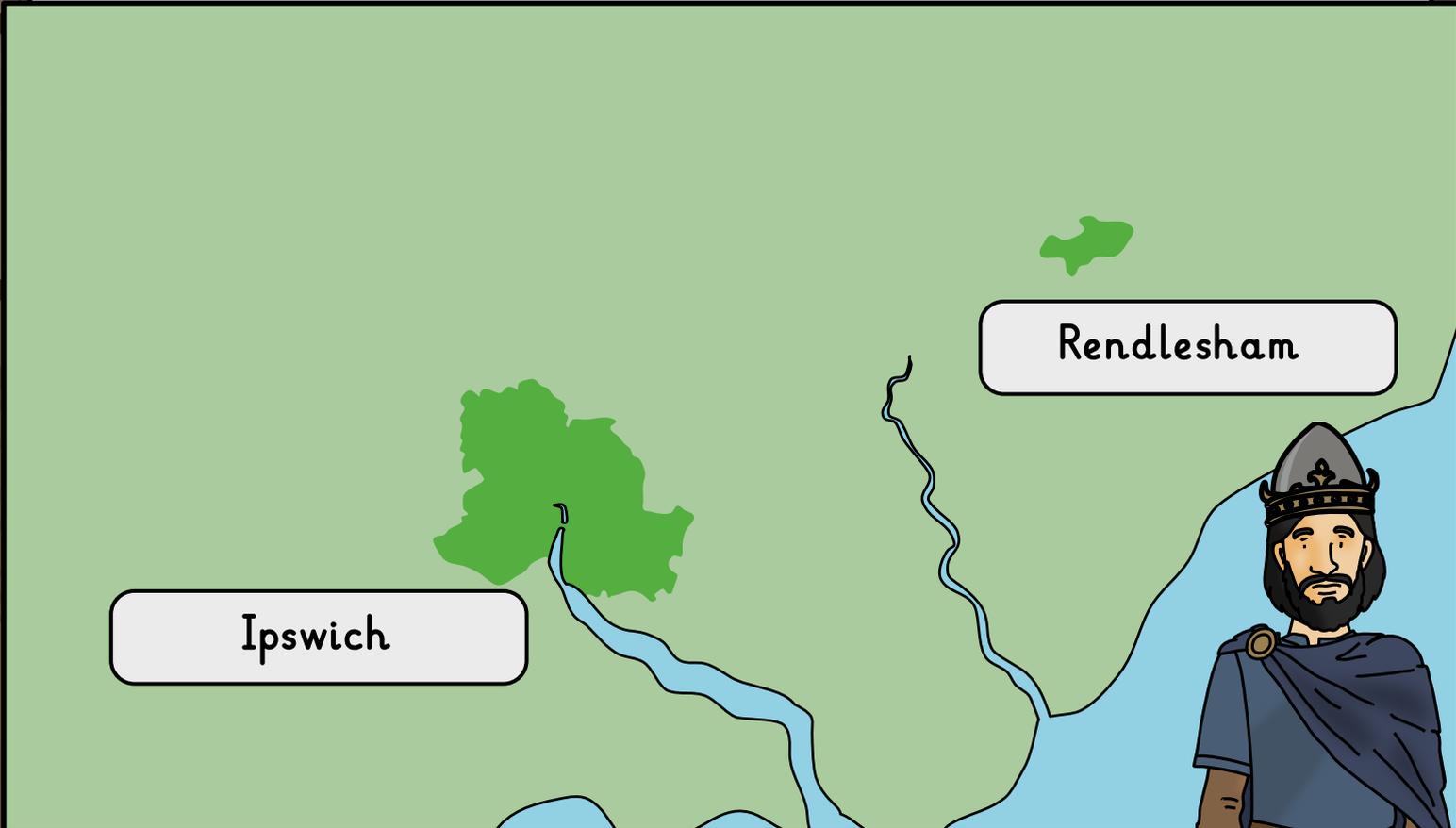
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It is made from gold, with delicate beading. The design on the mount is typical of the Anglo-Saxon era. It tells us that whoever owned this was wealthy and whoever made it was a skilled craftsman.

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These are a selection of coins.

They look like they are made from gold and silver. Each coin has an intricate pattern, suggesting highly skilled metalworkers created them. It tells us that there were goods being created and sold in the area and it was a society that valued money.





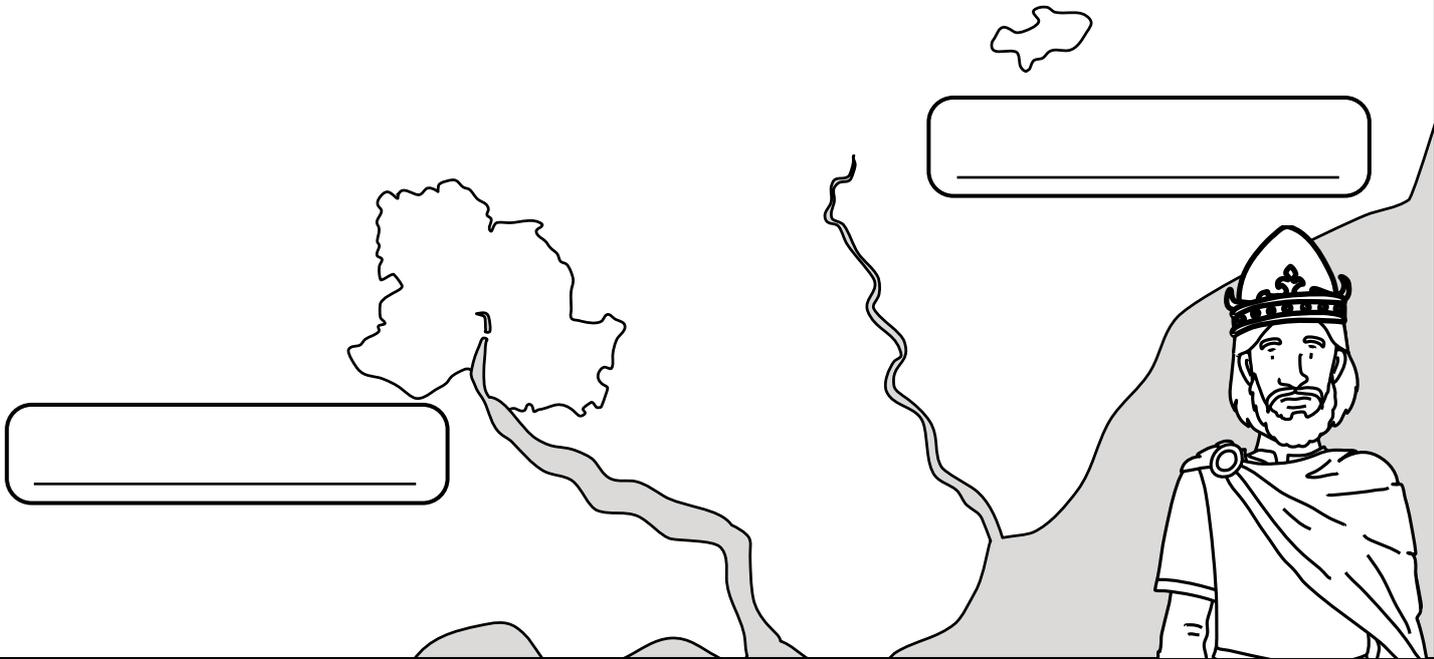
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Who are Teacher's Pet?

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.