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Viking Ship Discovered 刚被发现的海盗船

Viking Ship 'buried beneath pub' "埋在酒吧底下的"的海盗船

Read the text below and do the activity that follows.

阅读下面的短文，然后完成练习：

A 1,000-year-old Viking longship is thought to have been discovered under a pub car park on Merseyside.

The vessel is believed to lie beneath 2 metres to 3 metres of clay by the Railway Inn in Meols, a town in the north west of England, where Vikings are known to have settled.

Experts believe the ship could be one of Britain's most significant archaeological finds.

Professor Stephen Harding, of the University of Nottingham, is now seeking funds to pay for an excavation.

The Viking expert used ground penetrating radar (GPR) equipment to pinpoint the ship's whereabouts.

He believes the vessel could be carefully removed and exhibited in a museum.

Professor Harding said: "The next stage is the big one. Using the GPR technique only costs £450, but we have to think carefully about what to do next.

"Although we still don't know what sort of vessel it is, it's very old for sure and its Nordic clinker design, position and location suggests it may be a transport vessel from the Viking settlement period if not long afterwards.

"Scandinavian influence persisted here through the centuries. It is speculation at the moment, but at least we now know exactly where to look to find out. How it got there is also hard to say.

"It is some distance from the present coastline and probably the old one too. It might have got to its present position after flooding and sinking into an old marsh."

The ship was first uncovered in 1938 when the Railway Inn was being knocked down and rebuilt further from the road, the site of the old pub being made into a car park. Workers were advised by the foreman to cover the ship over again so as not to delay construction.

Glossary 词汇表

longship 长船	pub car park 酒吧停车场
vessel 船只	to lie beneath 躺在...的下面
clay 粘/泥土	settled 解决
archaeological finds 考古发现	seeking funds 寻找资金
excavation 挖掘	ground penetrating radar 探地雷达
pinpoint 精确定位	exhibited 展出
technique 技术	Nordic clinker (公元前9世纪) 北欧地区制造的木船
A transport vessel 运输船	Viking (北欧) 海盗
Scandinavian 斯堪的纳维亚	persisted 坚持不懈
speculation 揣测	coastline 海岸线

1. Reading Quiz 阅读测验

Are these sentences true or false? Circle the correct answer.

以下句子哪句是真?哪句是假?请圈出正确答案。

1. The Viking ship was ancient, it was 100 years old. True / False
2. The ship was small. True / False
3. The discovery of the ship is not very important.
True / False
4. It is possible that the ship could be moved and exhibited. True / False
5. It is a boat typical of northern Europe. True / False

2.Jumbled Sentences 打乱词序的句子

Rearrange the words in the sentences below to make correct sentences.

请将下列句子中的单词重新排列，组成一个正确的句子。

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3. Vocabulary 词汇

The words in the box all appear in the text. Check their meanings in the glossary, then complete the sentences below.

用下列词语完成以下句子.

longship to lie beneath archaeological finds

exhibited a transport vessel speculation

1. It was archaeologists who discovered the _____ in the north west of England.
2. It was believed that the ship was likely _____ a car park.
3. There is often considerable _____ about the origins of archaeological finds.
4. When the boat is _____, members of the public can see it.
5. There are many _____ in Britain.
6. _____ carries people and cargo.

4. Wordsearch 单词搜索

Try to find the words associated with tennis in the puzzle below.

There are ten words to find. Words can be written horizontally (g), vertically (i) or diagonally (m)

请在下面的字谜游戏中，找出与海盗船有关的英语单词来。

共有10个单词，其组成方式可能以水平的 (g) 垂直的 (i) 或对角的 (m) 形式出现。

c	e	d	s	t	V	l	t	s	m	i	e
o	x	u	p	e	i	w	e	t	j	u	x
a	c	s	e	c	k	e	c	b	t	e	c
s	a	a	c	h	i	a	h	t	a	n	a
t	v	p	u	n	n	c	n	e	o	n	v
l	a	l	l	i	g	v	e	s	s	e	l
i	t	s	a	q	b	n	q	h	h	r	a
n	i	y	t	u	m	a	r	s	h	r	t
e	o	r	i	e	s	t	e	i	t	l	i
m	n	l	o	n	g	s	h	i	p	e	o
s	c	a	n	d	i	n	a	v	i	a	n
z	i	n	p	e	r	s	i	s	t	e	d

longship	vessel	excavation	technique
Viking	Scandinavian	persisted	speculation
coastline	marsh		

Answers 答案

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