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|  | What are the mysteries of the Battle of Hastings? |

# Learning to read the tapestry

**1** There are three strips or levels on images on the tapestry – the top, middle and along the bottom. Describe what is on each strip:

**2** Which is the main one that tells the story?

* Top strip
* Middle strip
* Bottom strip

**3** Explain why you think this.

**4** In which language are the words on the tapestry?

**5** What rank is the main person in the picture? How can you tell?

**6** Where is the king situated?

* In open air
* inside a castle
* in a boat?

## Look at this scene from the Bayeux Tapestry.

Decide whether the following statements from the battle are true, false or you cannot tell from the evidence. *Mark your answer with an X.*

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| **Statement** | True | False | Cannot tell | My reasons |
| It was a bloody war. |  |  |  |  |
| Horses died in battle. |  |  |  |  |
| Soldiers had at least four different types of weapons. |  |  |  |  |
| All of the soldiers were on foot. |  |  |  |  |
| There were archers in the battle. |  |  |  |  |
| The soldiers were brave. |  |  |  |  |
| King Harold is winning the battle. |  |  |  |  |
| Some soldiers are running away. |  |  |  |  |
| This is a completely accurate account of what happened. |  |  |  |  |