



DRESSING UP DAY IDEAS

ANGLO SAXONS

So you're having a dressing-up day?
You can whip up a costume with some simple items from home:



ANGLO SAXON WARRIOR

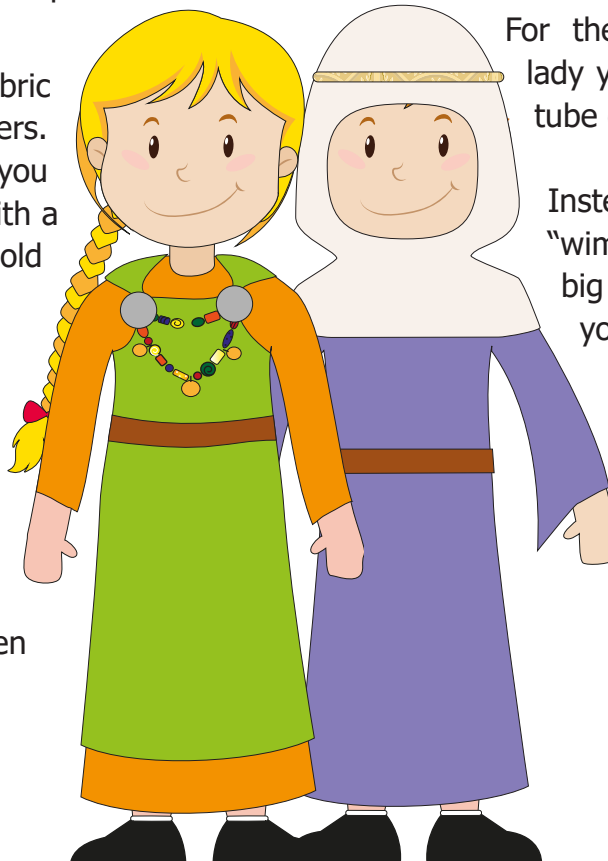
- A long sleeved, oversize plain T-shirt, any colour but not too bright
- A thin belt of leather or fabric.
- A pair of plain leggings or jogging bottoms
- Two strips of fabric to wrap the bottom half of the legs
- A rectangle of fabric for a cloak, held by a pin or brooch
- Plain shoes or short boots

ANGLO SAXON LADY

There was a big difference in clothing between the beginning and end of the Anglo Saxon age. Decide whether you want to be an early (450AD - 700AD) or late Anglo Saxon (700AD - 1066AD).

EARLY ANGLO SAXON LADY

- A plain coloured long dress or top and skirt
- A "tube dress". A tube of fabric pinned together at the shoulders. If you don't want to sew, then you can use a rectangle of fabric with a hole cut in it for the head – an old sheet is perfect.
- A thin belt
- A pair of round brooches, to fasten the shoulders of the tube dress. Decorated card with safety-pins taped to the back works well!
- A string of beads to hang between the two brooches
- Plain dark shoes or short boots
- A plain headscarf (optional)
- Ladies can also wear cloaks.



LATE ANGLO SAXON LADY

For the late Anglo Saxon lady you will not need the tube dress or jewellery.

Instead you will need a "wimple" or headscarf big enough to cover your hair and neck.

You can also put a band of fabric around your head to hold it in place.