



# History of Iceland

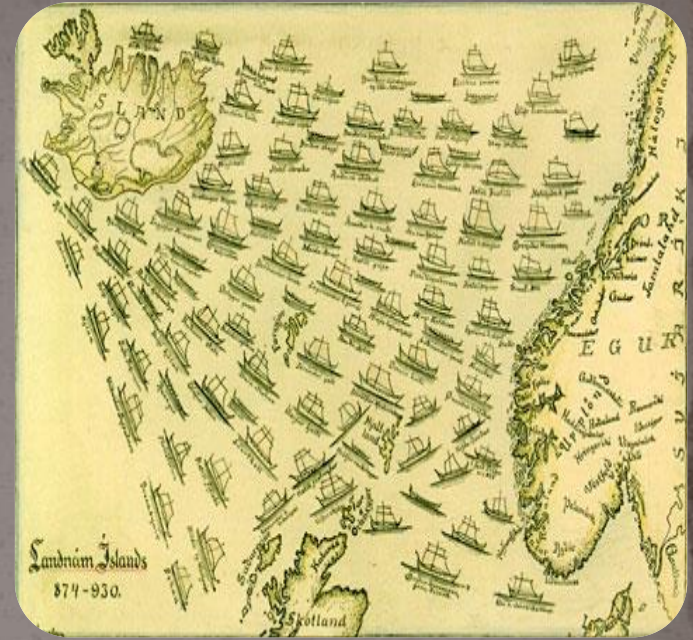
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# Iceland

- An isolated volcanic island in the north of the Atlantic Ocean.
- Vikings immigrated to Iceland in the 9<sup>th</sup> century.



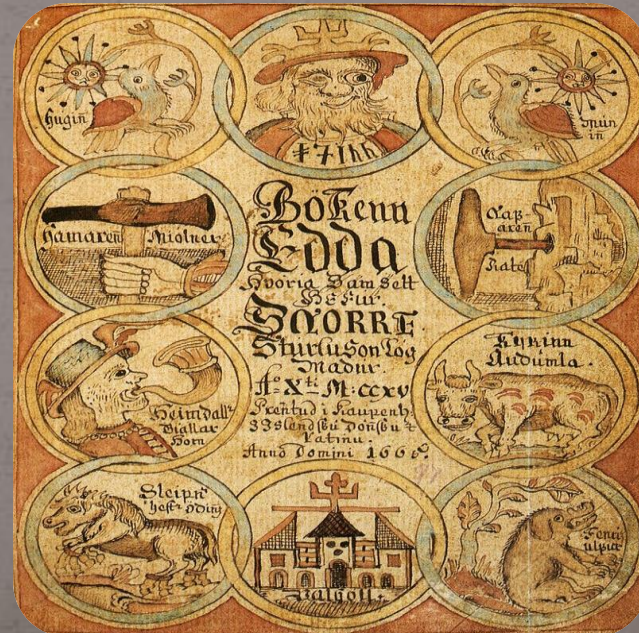
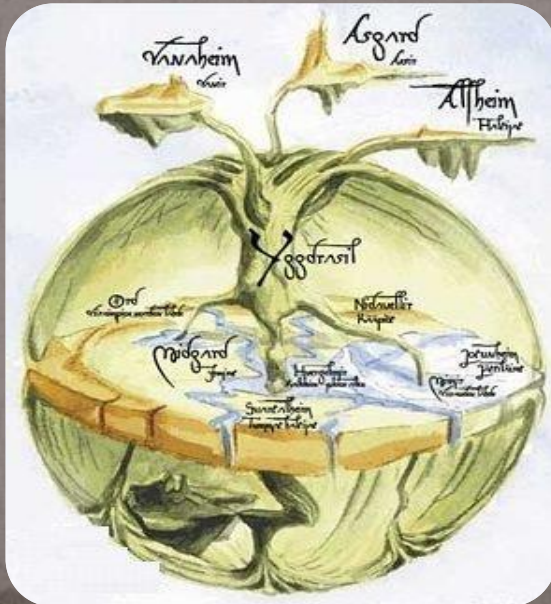
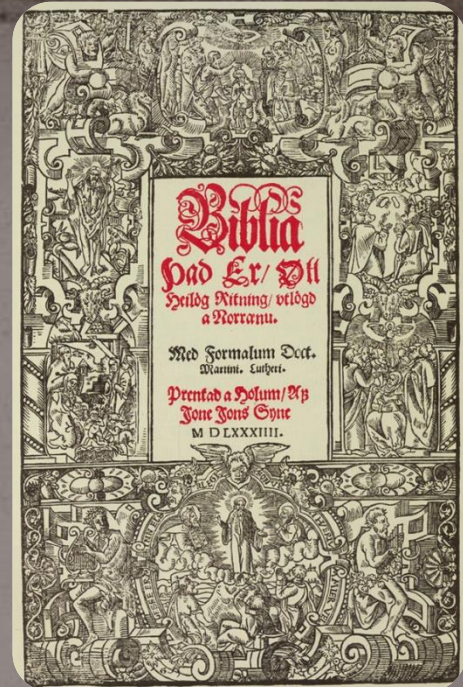
# The Settlement

- Raven-Flóki named Iceland because of the cold weather.
- Ingólfur Arnarson built the first town in Iceland.



# The Icelandic Saga

- Icelandic history is written in Old Norse.
- The history is written in 1120 and until 1230.



# Independence

- Was an independence state for three centuries.
- Followed the king of Norway in 1262.
- In 1397 submitted over to Denmark.



# Independence

- Constitution in 1874.
- Autarchy in 1904.
- Government in 1918.
- Referendum in 1944.



# Althing and presidents

- The oldest assembly in the world.
- The first president was elected in 1944.
- The first female president in the world.



# Natural disasters

- Volcanic eruptions
- Floods
- Earthquakes
- Avalanches



# Volcanic eruptions

- Móðuharðindin 1783-1785
  - Poisoned gas
  - Signed grass
  - Many animals died
  - Many Icelanders died
- Westman Islands 1973
  - 5000 people evacuated
  - Only one person died

