Viking Artefacts

From the V to the G

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My name in Viking runes.
My Presentation

• My presentation is about Viking Artefacts, all about them, like, what we thought they were used for, what I think they were used for, what they were made of and my opinion.
Steatite Bowl

I think another great use for this bowl would be a bowl for urine when its late and you can’t be bothered to go to the toilet.

This Bowl was used for cooking and was made of a volcanic rock called Steatite. Some of these bowls had iron handles and when they broke the stone was fashioned into something else, like a knife or a necklace. We know that it was used to hold food in it because there was traces of food found in it.
Bone Comb

- This comb was found in a grave with a sword so we presume that it had belonged to a man. These combs were made of bone, antler and sometimes bronze. They were used for combing beards or hair and its teeth are so close together that it could have been used to scrape food from beards as well.

I think that the artefact could have been used to peel vegetables or fruit because the teeth are sharp and close together.
Gaming Piece

• This artefact we believe was used in a board game not dissimilar to our checkers today. It was also made from whale bone and is very light. It could have been roughly carved with something sharp then smoothed off with a file.

I think that it could have been used as a coaster to stop the table being damaged.
Silver Hoard

- These bands could have once been jewellery but because they lost the pin to hold them on they were buried for safe keeping so they could be sold and reused, but as the owner had died before they were sold so they just stayed under ground as a silver hoard.

I think that they could have been used for as that ring toss game where you chuck the horse shoes around a stick.
Oval Brooches

• These brooches were worn as a pair on each shoulder to hold the clothes together and to have something to hang stuff on. They were held on with an iron pin. The pictures demonstrate the pins, sort of.

I think they could have been ear rings for the women to wear.
Viking Sword

- This is a weapon for slashing. It was sharp on both sides and was made of silver and brass. When not in use it was held in a wooden or lamb skin scabbard to keep it clean and safe.
Conclusion

• If we look at the brooch the comb and the silver bracelets I think it would be safe to say that they were much like us today in that they care how they look and feel about themselves.
• The sword demonstrates that they were quite advanced people to be collecting metal, melting it and re-shaping it to a tool to kill and sharpened.
• The gaming piece and bowl shows that they were happy to make their life easier with the materials they had, so they were very smart with what they had.
• The silver hoard also is a reminder of how greedy they were, they hid their treasures in a whole so they could sell them themselves.
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