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Viking Gods and Mythology: Tales from the Norse Pantheon

Short Answer Key

1. Odin was the chief god known for wisdom, knowledge, poetry, and war. He sacrificed one of his eyes at Mimir's well in exchange for wisdom and insight.
2. Thor's mighty hammer, Mjölner, could summon thunder and lightning. It was a symbol of his strength and protection.
3. Freyja's attributes as the goddess of love and beauty influenced Viking culture through her association with the harvest, magic, and war, as well as her role in rituals related to fertility and love.
4. Loki played a complex role as a trickster god, causing mischief and occasionally helping the gods. His actions led to both chaos and resolution in many mythological stories.
5. Ragnarök was a cataclysmic event signaling the end of the world in Norse mythology. During Ragnarök, the gods would face their adversaries in a final battle, leading to the destruction and rebirth of the world.

