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Laconic phrase - Wikipedia

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Human sacrifice - Wikipedia

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Literary Terms and Definitions O - Carson-Newman College

Old Norse Names Dear Viking Answer Lady: How did the People of the North choose names for their children? Could you perhaps list some first names and then, perhaps, an explanation of surnames?

Viking Answer Lady Webpage - Old Norse Names

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Egil's Saga (Penguin Classics): Anonymous - amazon.com

Introduction. A century ago, many experts on ancient Scandinavia were fascinated by a mysterious board game, called hnefatafl or tafl, which was often mentioned in the Sagas.

Hnefatafl - the Strategic Board Game of the Vikings

As a follow-up to Tuesday's post about the majority-minority public schools in Oslo, the following brief

account reports the latest statistics on the cultural enrichment of schools in Austria. Vienna is the most fully enriched location, and seems to be in roughly the same situation as Oslo. Many thanks to Hermes for the translation from Unzensuriert.at:

Gates of Vienna

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