

FACTS - What's wrong? worksheet

The following sentences are based on 'The History of English' account. Can you correct the errors in each one?

1. A long time ago lived a people called the Celts. They spoke Latin.
2 When Julius Caesar invaded Britain he made everyone speak Gaelic.
3 The Angles and Saxons came from Denmark.
4 After the Romans left Britain, the next invaders were the French.
5 Most of the names for the days of the week are Danish.
6 Old English was a mixture of German and French.
7 In 1066, the Vikings under William the Conqueror took over England.
8 French added many new words to the English language, such as finger, Wednesday and husband.
9 Middle English is largely a form of French.
10 Shakespeare may have been the most famous writer in English, but he didn't do much for the language.