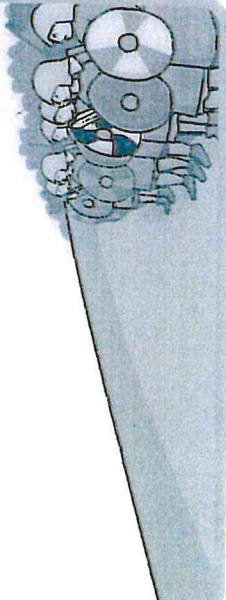
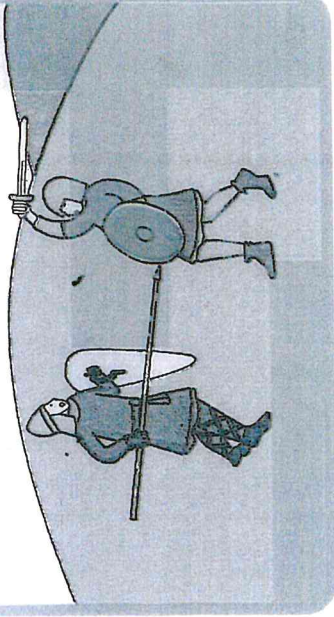


For the first six hours of the battle it seemed like the English were going to win. The Normans charged again and again, but they couldn't break the English line and had to go back down the hill again.



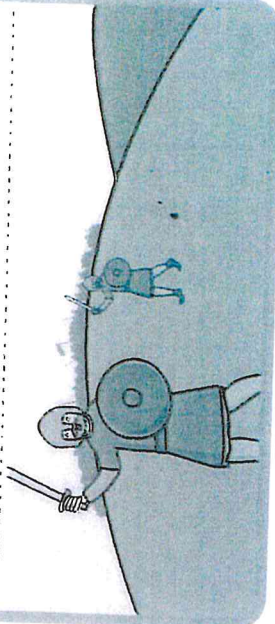
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Finally, William brought in his archers. The arrows didn't break the English line, but one of the arrows hit Harold in his eye and killed him.



Then the Saxons made their fatal mistake. Some of Harold's men broke the shield wall to chase the Normans who were retreating. As soon as the Normans reached the bottom of the hill, they turned round and cut the English to bits.



The Norman cavalry rode through the English, hacking them down.

