Artefacts.doc
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Dagger hilt
The hilt is the part of a dagger usually called a handle. It is made of gold, decorated with animals. The hole through the centre shows that the blade was single edged.

Hilt fitting
This is part of the handle of a sword. It is made from gold and precious stones decorated with animals.

Scabbard boss
This is a button-like gold fitting which may have been used to hold the sword in place in a leather strap while it was not being used.

Stylised horse
This was part of a helmet with an end in the form of an animal.

Millefiori stud
A black and white glass gem within a gold and garnet setting.

Gold sword fitting
The function of this object is not certain. It is still covered in mud from the field where it was found. It is made from gold and precious stones. It has been bent out of its original shape.

Small gold buckle
It is plain apart from a band of filigree around the rivets.

Sword pyramid fittings
These may have been attached to the leather straps that held the sword in its scabbard. If you look carefully, you can see two birds facing each other.

Helmet cheek piece
A triangular piece made from gold and decorated with lines of animals facing left and right.

Folded cross
There were only four or five of these found in the Hoard. They are the only items which are clearly not weapons. It had been folded before being buried.

Metal fish and birds
Possibly an emblem from a Saxon shield. You can see a swirling design.
Answers

Dagger hilt - **Source J**

Hilt fitting - **Source F**

Scabbard boss - **Source A**

Stylised horse terminal - **Source E**

Millefiori stud - **Source H**

Gold sword fitting – **Source B**

Small gold buckle – **Source K**
Sword pyramid fittings – **Source D**

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