

Beowulf

AP Literature

Directions: Complete the following tasks on a separate sheet of paper. Please clearly label and type your answers. Due: _____

1. Find three quotes (of no more than four lines of poetry) that illustrate the Christianization of the text. Include line numbers.
2. Find three kennings and three proverbial statements. Include line numbers.
3. Create an annotated bibliography. You must include three sources.

Below is an example of what you should submit. **Only one example for each task is included.**

Student Name

Due date

Beowulf assignment

1. Find three quotes that illustrate the Christianization of the text:

The tower of Babel:

...and he thought of greatness and resolved
To build a hall that would hold his might
And reach higher toward Heaven than anything
That had ever been known to the sons of men. (67-69)

2. Find three kennings:

Sea = whale-road (850)

Find three proverbial statements.

Behavior that's admired is the path to power among people everywhere. (24-25)

3. Create an annotated bibliography.

Shippey, Tom. "Wicked Queens and Cousin Strategies in *Beowulf* and Elsewhere."
Saint Louis University. <[http://www.mun.ca/mst/heroicage/
issues/5/Shippey1.html](http://www.mun.ca/mst/heroicage/issues/5/Shippey1.html)> (15 August 2006).

Shippey analyzes what is commonly called the Modthrytho Episode. He seeks to place the wicked queen within an historical context as well as a poetic context. Shippey is also interested in the maternal versus paternal relationships as they are represented in *Beowulf*, and what those relationships reveal about Anglo-Saxon England.