## WultStudies Anglo-Saxon research:

**Topics and Questions** 

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This information should help you focus your research as we get started with our unit on the Anglo-Saxons and Beowulf. Ultimately, our work serves to address our unit's essential questions:

- What ethics, values, or lessons are embedded in the literature?
- How does research of a people's history and culture the details of their lives improve our understanding of its literature?
- How is a reader affected by reading about literature from bygone cultures? What patterns do we notice over time?



You will begin by individually researching the subtopics relevant to your assigned main topic. Then, you will work in groups to synthesize your research and create a presentation for your peers.

All of your research information should be typed into Cornell Notes in the template provided (on class website). Document your sources carefully using MLA formatting guidelines.

Research Topic	Focusing Subtopics
Politics	Government
How do geography, social structure, and law	Vikings
converge to create the politics of the Anglo-	Danes
Saxon period?	Normans
	Geography
	Kingdoms
	Warfare
	Military
	Angles, Saxons, Jutes
	Transportation
Religion	
	Paganism
What are the <b>origins</b> of religion in the Anglo-	Norse Mythology
Saxon period? What are early Christian and pre-	Anglo-Saxon Christianity/Early Christianity
Christian influences?	Sutton Hoo
	Norse Gods
	Spells

Culture What do Anglo-Saxon customs, arts, artifacts, and archeology reveal about its culture? What is the contribution of culture to our daily lives?	Art and Archeology Mead Halls Tapestries Social Structure (King, Thegn, Slave, etc.) Frith Scop Yule
Language	
What are the <b>origins</b> of the English Language? What are the origins of literature and literary elements?	Old English Language Runic Calendar Runes Scop Translations Tolkien Nowell Codex



"Fate goes ever as she will."