

# Medieval English verse

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## Medieval poetry

In Stones edition I sing of a maiden That is makÃ¢less King of all kinges To her son she ches. It was first published in 1964 when I think approach to translation was a bit different from what it is today. Layamon uses the Alliterative metre with the additions of assonance and rhyme.

### The Oxford book of medieval English verse (1970 edition)

Among the most famous of secular poetry is , a manuscript collection of 254 poems. Robert of Gloucester's Chronicle was written in 1300 and is known by the name of its author.

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There are also varieties of Middle English - the language of Chaucer differs quite a bit from the language of William Langland, whose 'Piers Ploughman' stands as another outstanding epic of the time. Indeed, Latin poetry traditionally used rather than and only began to adopt rhyme after being influenced by these new poems. Some poems and songs, like the officio lusorum from the , were of Christian hymns, while others were student melodies: folksongs, love songs and drinking ballads.

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The church is the strongest influence, and more than half the poems in this collection deal with church and religious themes. The first part translates closely Wace's Brut while the second is based on the chronicle of Pierre de Longtoft, an Anglo-Norman work. Layamon's Brut written about 1205 has come down in two manuscripts.

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In much the same manner, Shakespeare wrote plays that would appeal both to the artistic sensibility and to the 'mob in the pit'.

## **Verse Chronicles : of Medieval English period**

Middle English is a fluid language - there are stages that begin shortly after the Norman Conquest, in which the Frankophone influences mitigated themselves through the Normans, originally Norse-men, who were invaders of France from Scandinavia jostled with the Old English, until eventually amalgamating into a blended language with strong Germanic and Latinate tones. Sometimes alliteration and rhyme appear together. This is also the theme of many of the poems of the Harley text, the sole surviving copy from the Middle Ages of many Middle English lyrics.

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Stone also includes introductory material, both for the whole collection and for each major manuscript or section. Included in the more lofty themes are the famous Pearl, written by the same poet who composed a tale of Sir Gawain and the Green Knight.

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Also in tune with the common people, there are a great number of bawdy songs, ribald tales and comic poems included in the collection. This attains epic vigour in the description of the wrestling match between Corineas and the giant.

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