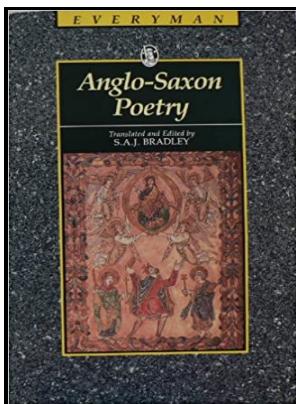


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The characteristics of Anglo

This gave the Germanic tribes the opportunity to move into the British territory that they had deserted.

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In the Anglo-Saxon Chronicle entry for 937, The Battle of Brunanburh commemorates the victory of West Saxon and Mercian armies over a combined force of Scots and Vikings, celebrating above all else the slaughter of the invading army, and the shame of those who survived to slink back to their ships. He may make meaningful differences between several renderings of the same oral traditional theme.

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Here our key words are frætwe and guðsearo, both general terms, not referring to specific armor or weapons. He dwelt for a while in this world among royal hosts, skilled in counsel, for twenty-four and one-half counts of winter, generous sovereign, distributing riches, the wielder of heroes, ruling excellently well over Wales and Scotland and Britain as well, the child of Æthelræd, over the Angles and Saxons, over the champions, as they were embraced by the frigid seas, so that they all obeyed loyally Eadward, the noble king, these brave and young men. Heroic poems like The Battle of Maldon and The Ruin laments the haunting feeling of death and sorrow.

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This allowed the poems to be recited more like a chant rather than a song. A number of poems are attributed to him, including The Fates of the Apostles and Elene both found in the Vercelli Book , and Christ II and Juliana both found in the Exeter Book. This is a particular feature of Anglo-Saxon verse style.

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These seem to be recognizable as themes of the oral traditional type, whether they are in an oral or a written text. Often, the recitation would be accompanied by the music of a lyre or harp that the scop would play.

6. The Theme in Anglo

Not all of these texts can be fairly called literature, but those that can present a sizable body of work, listed here in descending order of quantity: sermons and saints' lives the most numerous , biblical translations; translated Latin works of the early Church Fathers; Anglo-Saxon chronicles and narrative history works; laws, wills and other legal works; practical works on grammar, medicine, geography; and lastly, poetry. These hardy, big-boned, fair-headed, and blue- or gray-eyed people were known for their great capacity for food and drink, their genius for practical affairs, their solidity, their physical endurance, their sense of loyalty, and their devotion to duty.

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Because the West Saxon dialect was the language of the ruler Alfred the Great, it attained the greatest prominence. External links All links retrieved March 21, 2016. The literature of this time is generally religious based and often consisted of biblical stories.

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Let us turn now, then, to the arrival sections of the journey theme. In the foregoing I have demonstrated that such passages do occur, but they are not long. Beowulf is the oldest surviving epic poem and laments the journey of a great Geatish hero.

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