

PreRhetoric Literature Assignments for Co-op 2

We will use the next two weeks to read *Beowulf* in preparation for Co-op 2. Please note that our literature assignments are one week ahead of our other TOG work, so the *Beowulf* assignments and SAPs will be found in Weeks 4 and 5 of the TOG Year 2 guide.

Week 3

- Read Chapters I-VI of *Stories of Beowulf Told to the Children*
- Answer the SAP questions (P. 17 of Week 4) and be prepared to discuss your answers.
- Memorize the terms you defined on the SAP (it is likely you still remember them from last year).
- Memorize the below definition of “kenning” and give two examples from the story.
Kenning: the replacement of one word with a descriptive two-word term that means the same thing
Example: “life-house” for “body.”

Week 4

- Read Chapters VII-X of *Stories of Beowulf Told to the Children*
- Answer questions on the SAP (P. 18, Wk 5).
- Be prepared to discuss your answers in class.
- What impact do kennings have in the overall descriptive style of *Beowulf*?
- Define & memorize “assonance,” “consonance” and “alliteration.” Find an example of each from *Beowulf* and write them down to bring to class.
- Review memorized literary terms in preparation for class. You should be able to write and/or recite the definitions from memory.