

Performance Task – Beowulf Eulogy

You are a scop, living at the time of the Beowulf poet. Your people believe that fame is the only way to transcend fate, or wyrd, as it is known in your culture. You are going to create a memorial tribute song (epic poem) that highlights the life of Beowulf as he exemplified Anglo-Saxon society.

Use your talent as a scop to write a memorial tribute poem (eulogy) to be presented to King Wiglaf and his warriors at Beowulf's funeral. Be sure to highlight his deeds throughout his life, how he exemplifies Anglo-Saxon society, and what Anglo-Saxon society thought of him. Use kennings and alliteration in your poetic eulogy. It must be at least one typed page (12 font, double spaced).

Rubric:

_____ 50 points – Content (Deeds, examples of Anglo-Saxon society, and viewpoint)

_____ 20 points – Length

_____ 10 points – Use of kennings (At least 3- highlight them.)

_____ 10 points – Use of alliteration (At least 3-highlight them.)

_____ 10 points – Grammar (No errors)