

## Guided Reading – Beowulf

### Session 1

Read through the powerpoint to understand the story of Beowulf. Answer the questions that are in the pink boxes throughout the story.

### Session 2 and 3

Create a Beowulf timeline to retell the key events in Beowulf in chronological order.

1. Cut out the below events.
2. Put them in the correct order to retell the story.
3. Write an extra sentence about each event.
4. Draw a picture to illustrate each event on your timeline.

Beowulf returned home to Geatland.	Hrothgar built Heorot.	Beowulf fought Grendel's mother.	Grendel attacked Heorot.
Beowulf's funeral.	Beowulf was crowned King of the Geats.	Beowulf fought Grendel.	Beowulf travelled to Denmark.
Beowulf fought the dragon.	Heorot lay silent.		

### Session 4 and 5 – Character descriptions

The main characters in this story are Beowulf, the hero; Grendel, the monster; Grendel's mother and Hrothgar, King of the Danes.



Beowulf



Grendel



Grendel's mother



Hrothgar

1. Choose 2 of these characters.
2. Use descriptive language to write about their appearance, how they smell and how they sound.
3. Think about their role in the story. Are they a hero or an enemy? How do they move? How do they speak? What sort of clothes do they wear? What do other people think about them?
4. Draw your own picture of the character to go with your description.