

Core D Composition & Literature | *Beowulf* Journaling Guide

For this assignment, you may choose one of the following options for your journal response to *Beowulf*. You may use the same format for each week or choose a different format for each. The choice is yours.

1. **Interview:** Make up questions that you would want to ask a particular character if you could interview them, and then respond to the questions in the “voice” of that character. These questions should be reflective on the circumstances of the story and should be thoughtfully answered. Your interview should be 2 full pages typed, formatted for MLA style and submitted to Tii. Your interview document should be formatted as follows:

Student's Name
Teacher Name
Subject
Date
1. [Original question created by student]?
Character: Thoughtful and complete response in character's voice.
2. [Original question created by student]?

2. **Diary Entry:** Write a diary entry from the point of view of one of the characters. Your entry should be 600 words, formatted for MLA style and submitted to Tii. It should include thoughtful analysis on that character and his/her role in the story.
3. **Letter:** Write a letter to a specific character OR the author of *Beowulf*. If you write to a character, it should be “in character” and include references to the history and politics of the Medieval Age, as well as the circumstances within the story. If you write to the author, it should also be as a contemporary and reflect on themes, symbolism, or literary elements within the story. Your letter should be at least 600 words formatted for MLA style and submitted to Tii.
4. **Beowulf in Comic Form:** For those more artistically inclined, choose a pivotal scene from the selected reading and turn it into a comic strip. Your comic should have a natural beginning and end that matches that part of the story, including all important characters, as well as necessary dialogue to show a proper understanding of the storyline.