

English 401: Introduction to Old Norse
Language Exercise Four
Assigned in Week Five—Due in Class Week Six

Or Snorra *Edda*

Annarr sonr Oðins er Baldr, ok er fra honum gott at segja. Hann er beztr, ok hann lofa allir. Hann er sva fagr alitum ok bjartr, sva at lysir af honum, ok eitt gras er sva hvitt, at jafnat er til Baldrs brar. Þat er allra grasa hvitast, ok þar eptir matt þu marka fegrð hans, bæði a har ok a liki. Hann er vitrastr asanna ok fegrst talaðr ok liknsamastr. Hann byr þar, sem heitir Breiðablik. Þat er a himni.

Common Nouns:

alit (N. a, G #80) feature
gras (N. a, G #80) grass
bra (F. o, G #83) eyelash
fegrð (F. o, G #83) beauty
har (N. a, G #80) hair
liki (N. ja, G #81) body
ass (M. a, G #80) god
himinn (M. a, G #80) heaven

Proper Nouns:

Snorri (M. n, G #92)
Edda (F. n, G #93)
Oðinn (M. a, G #80)
Baldr (M. a, G #80)
Breiðablik (N. a, G #80)

Adjectives:

annarr (G#101) (an)other
beztr (superl., G#106) best
bjartr—bright, light
hvitr—white
hvitrastr (superl., G#104) whitest
vitrastr (superl., G#104) wisest
(i)nna (def. art., G#112) the
liknsamastr (superl., G#104) most gracious

Adverbs:

sva—so
þar eptir—accordingly

Pronouns:

honum (M. 3. DS, G #109) him

Prepositions:

fra (dat.) from

at (inf. intro.) to

af (dat.) from, of

Conjunctions:

(sva) at—(so) that

bæði...ok—both...and

sem (rel. pron.) which, that, where, who, etc.

Verbs:

lofa (wk. II, G #141) love

lysa (wk. I, G #135-40) shine

jafna (wk. II, G #141) liken

mega (pret. Pres. V, G#147) be able

marka (wk. II, G #141) notice

tala (wk. II, G #141; also wk. I, G#136) speak, tell, say

Language Exercises Due in Week Six:

- Do Fee Language Exercise Four (You're Lookin' at It!)
- Do Fee Old Norse Syncope Exercise
- Be prepared to be quizzed on: "Syncope" and "The Definite Article"
- Memorize The Definite Article (masculine, feminine, neuter: *inn, in, it*) [Gordon #112]

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