



## English 401: Viking Studies The Medieval North Atlantic



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### **The Role of Women in Njal's Saga**

Define the roles of women in the saga; what different sorts of roles do they play? How important are women to the action of the saga? Unlike much medieval literature, in this saga women have an audible voice; this voice, however, is reported to us through a man. Do you find the characterization of women largely positive or largely negative in this saga? Find the six most important episodes or examples which illustrate your assessment.