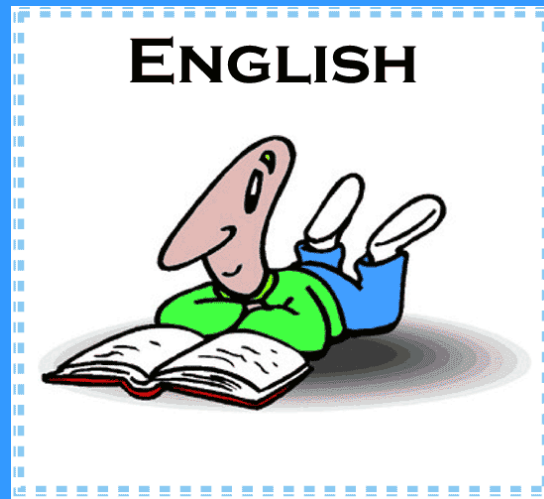
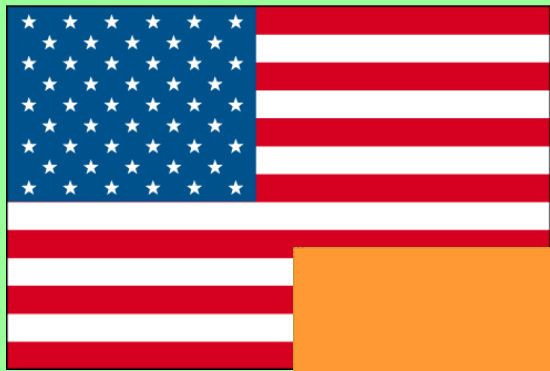


ENGLISH

a world of language



- United Kingdom United States of America and 103 other countries
- 402 million + may be between 350 million and one billion



A Few Interesting Facts

- No word in the English language rhymes with month, orange, silver or purple
- "Underground" is the only word in the English language that begins and ends with the letters "und"
- On reversing the words they spell the same: "Malayalam", "Liril" and "Madam"
- The only 15 letter word that can be spelled without repeating a letter is "uncopyrightable"
- "Almost" is the longest word in the English language with all the letters in alphabetical order

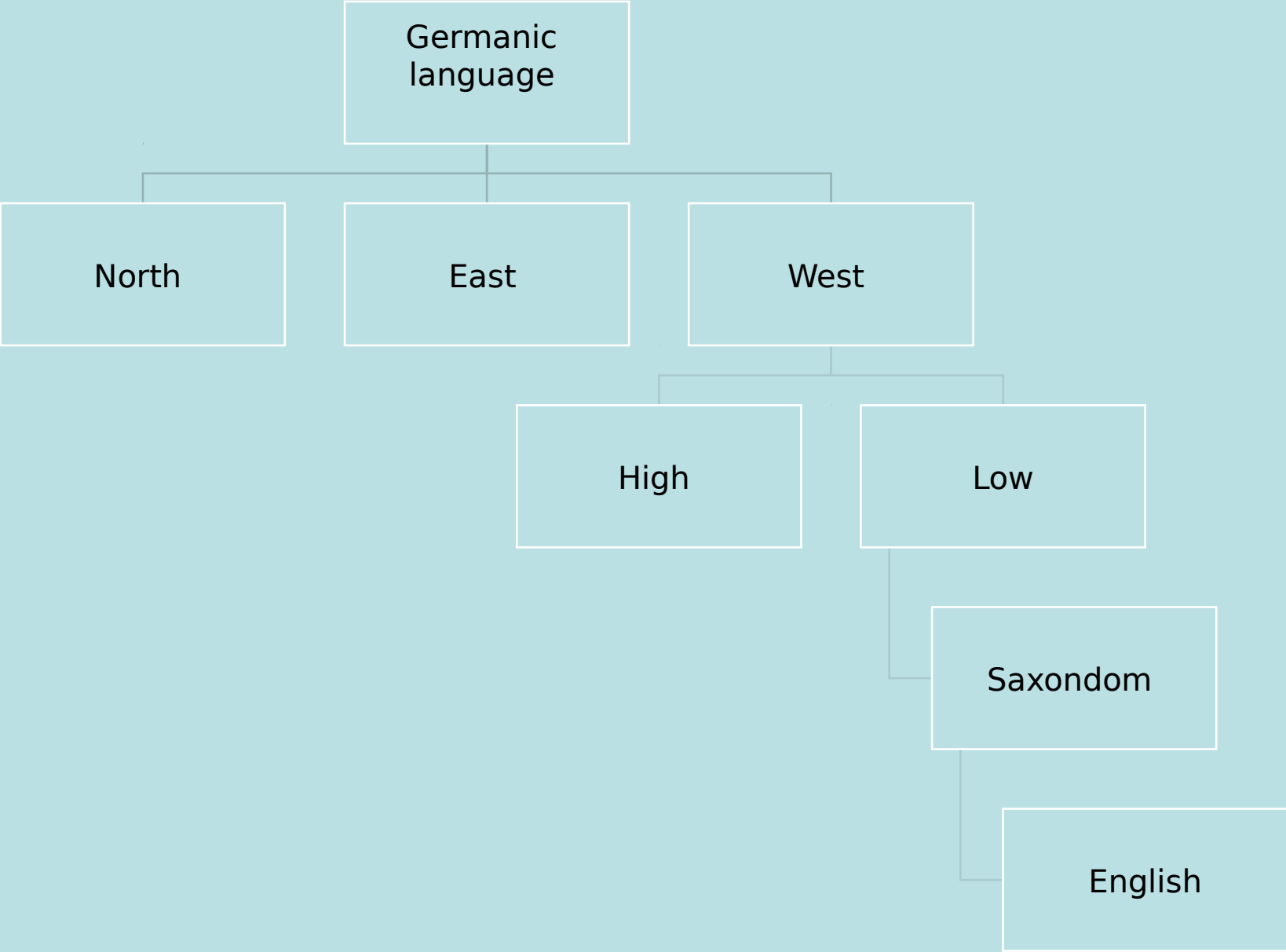
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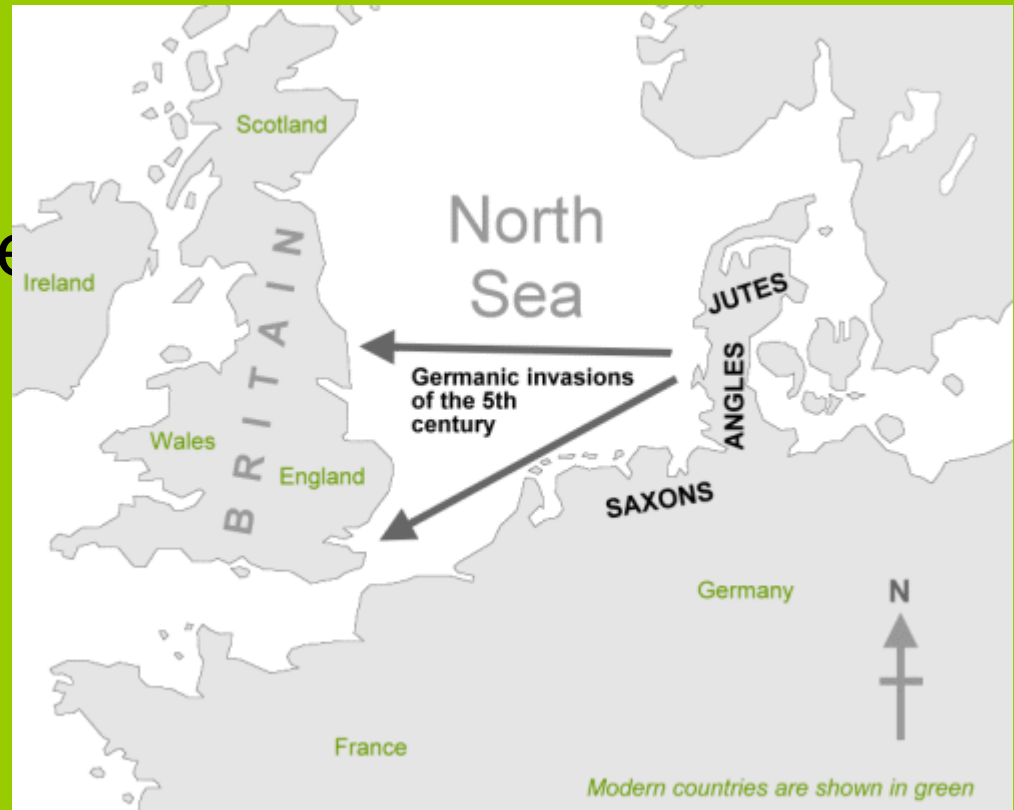
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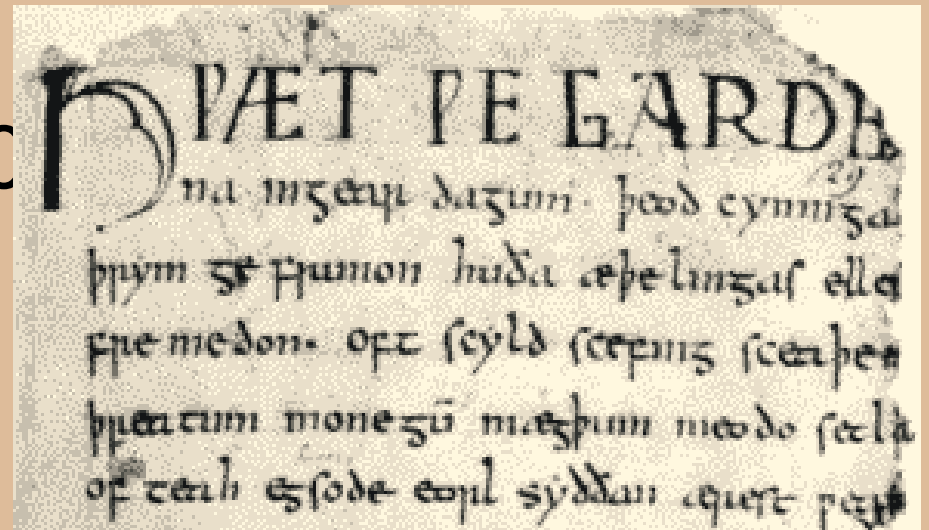
History

- the migration of the Jutes, the Angles, and the Saxons in 5th and 6th centuries,
- the inhabitants of Britain spoke a Celtic language
- Celtic speakers were pushed west and north



OLD ENGLISH

- Old English - similar languages of The Germanic tribes
- did not sound or look like English today
- *be, strong, water* - derive from Old English
- Spoken until 1100



MIDDLE ENGLISH

- William the Conqueror invaded and conquered England
- kind of French, which became the language of the Royal Court
- lower classes spoke English and the upper classes spoke French
- 14th century English became dominant in Britain with many French words

And whan I sawgh he wolde never fine
To reden on this cursed book al night,
Al sodeinly three leves have I plight
Out of his book right as he redde, and eke
I with my fist so took him on the cheeke
That in oure fir he fil bakward adown.
And up he sterte as dooth a wood leon
And with his fist he smoot me on the heed
That in the ffloor I lay as I were deed.
And whan he swagh how stille that I lay,
He was agast, and wolde have fled his way,
Till atte laste out of my swough I braide:
"O hastou slain me, false thief?" I saide,
"And for my land thus hastou mordred me?
Er I be deed yit wol I kisse thee."

Early Modern English

- change in pronunciation
- new words and phrases entered the language
- The invention of printing
- Books became cheaper and more people learnt to read
- 1604 the first English dictionary

Enter Hamlet.
Cor. Madame, will it please your grace
To leaue vs here?
Que. With all my hart. *exit.*
Cor. And here *Ophelia*, reade you on this booke,
And walke aloofe, the King shal be vnscene.
Ham. To be, or not to be, I there's the point,
To Die, to sleepe, is that all? I all:
No, to sleepe, to dreame, I mary there it goes,
For in that dreame of death, when wee awake,
And borne before an euerlasting Iudge,
From whence no passenger euer returnd,
The vndiscovered cuntry, at whose sight
The happy smile, and the accursed damn'd.
But for this, the ioyfull hope of this,
Whol'd beare the scornes and flattery of the world,
Scorned by the right rich, the rich curst of the poore?

Late Modern English

- difference between Early Modern English vs. Late Modern English - vocabulary
- First - the Industrial Revolution and technology
- Second - English language adopted foreign words from the British Empire



OLD vs. MODERN ENGLISH

Key to Pronunciation

þ - pronounced "th"

ð - pronounced "th"

æ - pronounced as a flat "a" (as in "cat")

ȝ - pronounced "y" or "g"

- Soþlice on þam dagum wæs geworden gebod fram þam casere augusto. þæt eall ymbehwyrft wære tomearcod. Forsoþe it is don, in þo dazis a maundement wente out fro cesar august, þat al þe world shulde ben discriued. And it came to passe in those dayes, that there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus, that all the world should be taxed.

- *Beowulf lines 1 to 11, approximately AD 900*

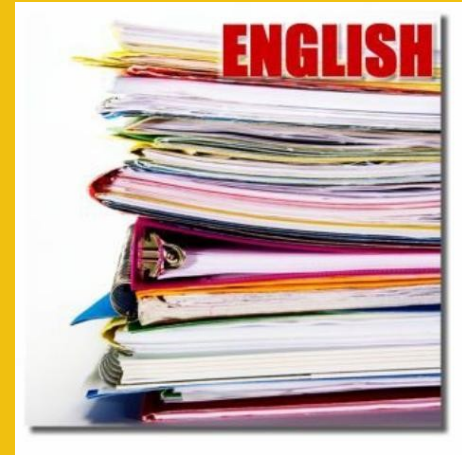
**Hwæt! Wē Gār-
Denain
geārdagum, þēodcyni
nga, þrym
gefrunon, hū ðā
æþelingasellen
fremedon. Oft Scyld
Scēfingsceaþena
þrēatum, monegum
māegþum, meodosetla
oftēah, egsode
eorlas. Syððan ærest
wearðfēasceaft
funden, hē þæs frōfre
gebād, wēox under
wolcnum, weorðmynd
um þāh, oðþæt him
æghwylcþāra
ymb sittendraofer
hronrādehýran
scolde, gomban
gyldan. Þæt wæs
gēd cynnig**

- *Which, as translated by Francis Gummere, reads:*

**Lo, praise of the
prowess of people-kings
of spear-armed Danes,
in days long sped,
we have heard, and
what honor the
athelings won!
Oft Scyld the Scefing
from squadroned foes,
from many a tribe, the
mead-bench tore,
awing the earls. Since
erst he lay
friendless, a foundling,
fate repaid him:
for he waxed under
welkin, in wealth he
throve,
till before him the folk,
both far and near,
who house by the
whale-path, heard his
mandate,**

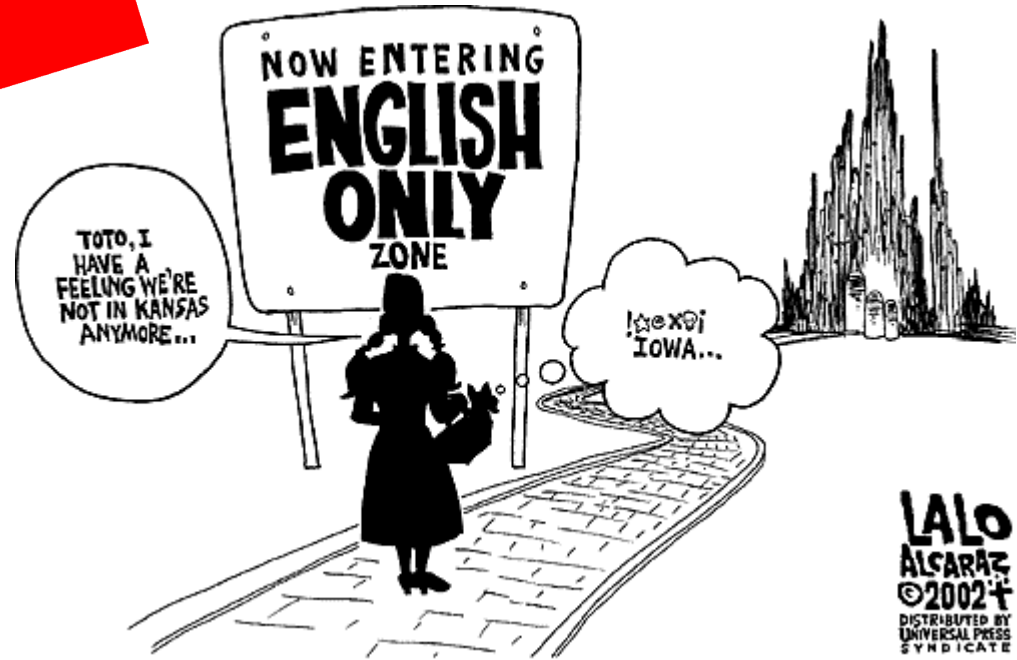
English in our language

- we learn it in schools
- it is very practical
- more and more titles of restaurants, shops, ... in English



WHAT DO I THINK?

English



QUIZ

1. What language did spoke the inhabitants of Britain ?
a) Celtic b) Gaulish c) Britannic

2. English was spoken until
a) 1500 b) 1100 c) 1060

3. What was invented in late modern english?

a)print b)telephone c)car

4. What was the difference between Early Modern English vs. Late Modern English ? a)vocabulary
b)grammar c) structure

of words

Resources

- <http://www.bible-researcher.com/engchange.html>
- http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/English_language
- <http://www.answers.com/topic/english-language>
- <http://www.anglik.net/englishlanguagehistory.htm>
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- <http://www.indiastudychannel.com/resources/29731-INTERESTING-FACTS-ABOUT-ENGLISH-LANGUAGE.aspx>
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- Google Pictures

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