

## 35340 Literatura anglesa medieval i del segle XVI

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Activity: Grendel and Grendel's mother in Gunnarsson's 2005 film adaptation of *Beowulf*

How are Grendel and Grendel's mother presented in the poem?

Take note (including line numbers) of descriptions (physical appearance, actions), also considering who makes the description and for whom.

Consider their motivations.

Compare the modern translation you have used with another modern translation.

How are these characters presented in Gunnarson's film (2005)?

You can have a sense of Grendel from the official trailer .

For Grendel's mother, watch sections showing her attack and her fight with Beowulf (1:29:00 to 1:33:00)

Re-read Beowulf's fight with Grendel's mother in the poem (lines 1383-1430). What are the main differences? What kind of hero do we get from the poem and from the film?