

The Structure of Old English

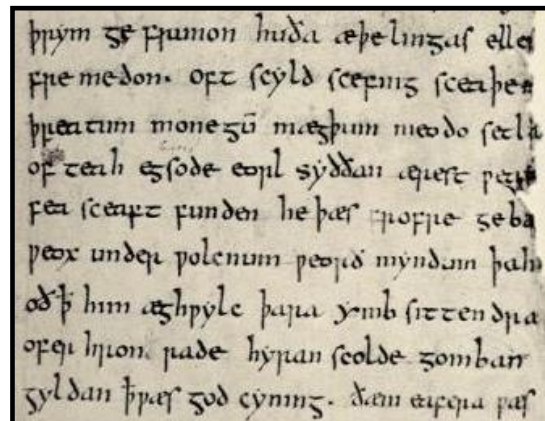
When: Saturday, October 3, 2015
10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Where: inlingua Aventura Center
19020 NE 29th Avenue
Aventura, Florida 33180

What: A five-hour inlingua Professional Development Program seminar.

Who: All inlingua instructors and staff.

Trainer: Richard E. McDorman, Director of Programs and Professional Development



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This seminar will provide an introduction to and overview of Old English (also referred to as Anglo-Saxon), an early form of the English language that was spoken and written in parts of what are now England and south-eastern Scotland between the mid-5th century and the mid-12th century A.D. What survives through writing represents primarily

the literary register of the Anglo-Saxons. Old English is a West Germanic language and is closely related to Old Frisian. It also experienced heavy influence from Old Norse, a member of the related North Germanic group of languages.

A major theme of the workshop will be the continuity of English, from the Old English period through Middle English and into Modern English. During the seminar a general sketch of Old English will be presented, including its phonology, morphology, syntax, and lexicon. The seminar will also examine the Old English system of nominal declension and verbal conjugation. Additional topics to be covered include the Old English writing system, Old English dialects and their modern English descendants, the influence of neighboring languages (particularly Latin, insular Celtic languages, and Old Norse) on Old English, and Anglo-Saxon culture and society. In order to exemplify the features of Old English treated during the seminar, major works of Old English prose and poetry will be presented and discussed.

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Please confirm your attendance with Sandra Manso, Assistant Director of Programs and Professional Development, at smanso@inlingua-if.com.