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Reading questions 13

1. I think that the Beowulf court had great heroes with battle scars and constant wars and lots of armor. The Norman is more good-looking people wearing fancy cloths who occasionally fight for the king.

Auther in court is Norman ideal. In the same way Herot appeals to Saxons. In Beowulf mead hall is the center of society and in Sir Gawain we see dainty food and a festival of politeness.

2. They are not similar in any way. Authers's court is made up of fancy knights. Lewis's description of the dark ages is not important Kings.

This does not sound like a court from the Dark Ages at all. Lewis says "little strong holds with unheard of kings. Little colleges..."

Reading questions 14

1. So both games invole a trade. The difference in the game is one is dangerous and can hurt or kill with the axe and the other just an exchange.

The difference is one is dangerous and the other is a friendlier game than the other.

2. The poet is portraying gawain as a very polite and nobel man.

The poet is portraying Gawain as the very essence of courtierly gallantry. He is courteous and polite at its finest.

3. So, merlin in Lewis has power and magic. The merlin in geoffery is more of a smart man. The merlin in malory is more fantistic and not so smart. They are all similar but also have some differences.

Reading questions 15

1. An honest and loyal hero would have probably been admirable in the 14th century. Also, a polite and courageous hero.

Politeness and courtly gallantry were absolutely vital in that time period for a hero.

2. Gawain takes a girdle from the hostess and does not tell her husband. This shows his fear and reflects badly on him.

He goes back on his promise to give the host everything he won during the day, and he hides the girdle hoping it will protect him. This and the fear of dying reflect negatively on his knightly reputation.

3. In Lewis magic is used with a purpose, the opposite can be said about Gawain magic is used in random Un logical ways.

Magic in Lewis's book is good or bad spirits. Magic in Gawain is strange and magical things happen all over the place. They happen seemingly without rhyme or reason. For example a large green man can have his head chopped off and carry it away with him still talking.