

Conventions of Hero Myths

– Beowulf

Please can you find examples of the following either from the BBC episodes, the story within the slides or any other version of the 'poem' that you have seen or read.

Knowing these will help you write your plan and own version of the story over the next few sessions.



Convention	Example
<i>A brilliant hero, who is better than others and boasts about it.</i>	
<i>A monster/threat that people need saving from.</i>	
<i>A perilous journey/place.</i>	
<i>A special task or quest given to the hero.</i>	
<i>A special item, skill or power.</i>	
<i>The hero is threatened but overcomes in the end. A major battle.</i>	
<i>Strong, powerful language/adjectives to describe the hero or other characters.</i>	
<i>A reward for the hero.</i>	