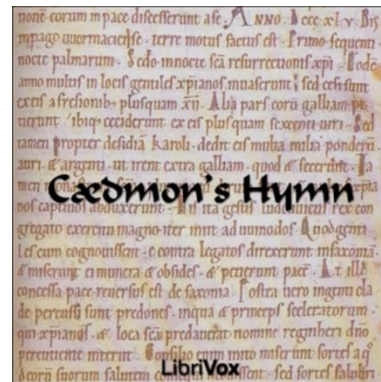
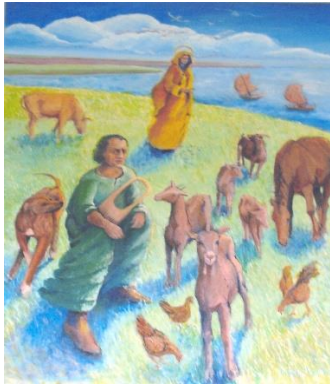


## YEAR 4 MUSIC ANGLO SAXONS IV - SONGS



**Caedmon** (AD 657-684) is the earliest English poet whose name is known. A Northumbrian who was a cow herder cared for the animals at the double monastery at Whitby Abbey. He originally ignored music but legend has it that he learned to compose one night in the course of a dream!

Caedmon's "Hymn" is a short Old English poem originally composed by him. It was said at the time that he was able to sing in honour of God the Creator, using words that he had never heard before. It was composed between 658 and 680 and is the oldest recorded Old English poem, being composed within living memory of Anglo-Saxon England. Here are 3 you tube links of it being performed.

<https://youtu.be/XnHs8ah7YQs>

Caedmon's Hymn - Blake Wilson (Cardinal Singers)

Here is the 2nd version

<https://youtu.be/kXuasY8pDpA>

Anglo-Saxon Music ~ Caedmon's Hymn (Northumbrian Variant)

Here is the 3<sup>rd</sup> Version

<https://youtu.be/gogFLy8NJGk>

Can you compare the 3 versions of Caedmons Hymn using these music words?

1. Texture
2. Timbre

The meanings are below to help you

3. What other music words are normally used to describe music?
  - a) P\*\*c\*
  - b) T\*\*p\*
  - c) \*hy\*\*m

# Texture

## Texture means the thickness of the sound

Many instruments often creates a thick texture, while just one instrument usually makes a thin texture

Texture is also about the number of different parts and how they relate to each other.

Thin



Thick



**\*\* Texture is the way melody and harmony go together \*\***

## Texture

- The **MELODY** or the tune is the main idea of a musical work.
- The **ACCOMPANIMENT** goes with the melody. It is the musical background played behind the main performer.
- A **SOLO** is music for a single singer or player
- **UNISON** refers to two parts singing or playing the same note

- Tone color
- Sound quality
- Allows us to distinguish between one instrument and another
- Names the instruments

## Timbre

### Timbre Vocabulary

Bright	Dark
Brassy	Reedy
Harsh	Buzzy
Shrill	Mellow
strained	

## Timbre



Timbre looks at the types of sounds in the music. Are they bright, harsh, smooth, rough or dull?



