English IV

Collins

Sutton Hoo Virtual Tour of Anglo Saxon Culture

What can we learn about Anglo Saxon culture and Beowulf’s world from the archeological dig at Sutton Hoo?

Today you will be visiting the most famous archeological discovery of Anglo Saxon artifacts via a virtual field trip at the British Museum.

Procedure: Log in and go to the following URL, which is the online [Sutton Hoo Exhibit at the British Museum:](https://www.britishmuseum.org/explore/young_explorers/childrens_online_tours/anglo-saxon_england/anglo-saxon_england.aspx)

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This will take you to the first object in the Sutton Hoo Exhibit. There are 13 artifacts to examine, you must complete 10. Enlarge and look at the objects and complete the organizer/chart:

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| Object | Created by Whom | Belonged to Whom | Three interesting facts/ideas about the object |
| 1. Ship’s Figurehead  2. Original Helmet  3. Gold Belt Buckle  4. Finger Rings  5. Silver Penny  6. Cuerdale Hoard  7. Seax of Beagnoth  8. Drinking Horn  9. Hurbuck Hoard  10. Silver Gilt Brooch  11. Desborough Necklace  12. Fuller Brooch  13. Franks Casket |  |  |  |

2. [“Who Was Buried at Sutton Hoo?”](https://www.britishmuseum.org/explore/highlights/articles/w/who_was_buried_at_sutton_hoo.aspx) Read the passage and answer the following:

The person buried at Sutton Hoo was…

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| Definitely | Evidence |
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| Probably |  |
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| Possibly |  |
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**What do we have no evidence for at all?**

3. Be prepared to discuss what you learned in class in a graded class discussion. What insight into *Beowulf* do we as readers gain from Sutton Hoo?