Mr. Valentine’s English IV Standard – Study Guide for Week 3

*Answers to the following questions may be found in the readings for Beowulf (the battles with Grendel’s mother and the dragon) and the article on the Fury of the Northmen in the green book.*

1. What piece of Beowulf’s equipment survives the battle with Grendel’s Mother?

2. What trophy does he take from the battle with Grendel's Mother, and what does he not take?

3. How does Beowulf change over the course of the three battles (Grendel, Mother, and Dragon)?

4. Who stands by Beowulf in his final battle with the dragon and gives a speech to the running thanes?

5. How does Beowulf die?

6. What are Beowulf’s last words and thoughts concerning?

7. What were the most important events in Beowulf’s life?

8. What are Beowulf’s last requests, and which ones are followed / not followed?

9. What does it mean to “go a-viking” according to the article we read, this week?

10. Aside from battle / conquest, what other thing were the Vikings well known for?