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***Beowulf* Unit Reading Guide: Grendel**

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Fill in the following with as much detail as possible and page or line numbers.

1. What is Grendel’s background? Describe him.
2. What does Grendel do?
3. How long have Grendel’s raids been happening?
4. How do the Danes try to get ride of Grendel before Beowulf arrives?
5. Who is “Higlac’s follower and the strongest of the Geats”?
6. Describe Beowulf.
7. Who approaches Beowulf and his crew to speak to them first?

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1. Who was Beowulf’s father?
2. With what will Hrothgar greet Beowulf?
3. What has Beowulf already done (accomplished)?
4. What is Beowulf’s “request” or “favor”?
5. How will Beowulf fight Grendel?
6. What will happen if Beowulf loses?
7. What is the relationship between Hrothgar and Beowulf’s father?
8. What story does Unferth relate?
9. According to Beowulf, what actually happened?
10. How does Beowulf insult Unferth?
11. Of what did Beowulf’s friends think as they went to sleep?
12. Choose some key phrases that describe Grendel and his actions:
13. What information do we learn about the hall?
14. Why can’t Beowulf’s men help him out?
15. How does Beowulf defeat Grendel?