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**The Lay of Aotrou and Itroun** William  
Morrow

It portrays the existential struggles and  
downfall of an entire people, the  
Burgundians, in a military conflict with the  
Huns and their king."--Jacket.

**Sir Gawain and the Green Knight:  
with Pearl and Sir Orfeo** Simon and  
Schuster

Bringing alive the dramatic poems of Old

Norse heroic legend, this new collection  
offers accessible, ground-breaking and  
inspiring essays which introduce and  
analyse the exciting legends of the two  
doomed Helgis and their valkyrie lovers;  
the dragon-slayer Sigurðr; Brynhildr the  
implacable shield-maiden; tragic Guðrún  
and her children; Attila the Hun (from a  
Norse perspective!); and greedy King  
Fróði, whose name lives on in Tolkien's  
Frodo. The book provides a comprehensive  
introduction to the poems for students,  
taking a number of fresh, theoretically-  
sophisticated and productive approaches

to the poetry and its characters.  
Contributors bring to bear insights  
generated by comparative study, speech  
act and feminist theory, queer theory and  
psychoanalytic theory (among others) to  
raise new, probing questions about the  
heroic poetry and its reception. Each  
essay is accompanied by up-to-date lists  
of further reading and a contextualisation  
of the poems or texts discussed in critical  
history. Drawing on the latest international  
studies of the poems in their manuscript  
context, and written by experts in their  
individual fields, engaging with the texts in

their original language and context, but presented with full translations, this companion volume to *The Poetic Edda: Essays on Old Norse Mythology* (Routledge, 2002) is accessible to students and illuminating for experts. Essays also examine the afterlife of the heroic poems in Norse legendary saga, late medieval Icelandic poetry, the nineteenth-century operas of Richard Wagner's *Der Ring des Nibelungen*, and the recently published (posthumous) poem by Tolkien, *The Legend of Sigurd and Gudrún*.

*Revisiting the Poetic Edda* Penguin UK One of the great books of world literature—an unforgettable tale of jealousy, unrequited love, greed, and vengeance. Based on Viking Age poems and composed in thirteenth-century Iceland, *The Saga of the Volsungs* combines mythology, legend, and sheer human drama in telling of the heroic deeds of Sigurd the dragon slayer, who acquires runic knowledge from one of Odin's Valkyries. Yet the saga is set in a very human world, incorporating oral memories of the fourth and fifth centuries, when Attila the Hun and other warriors fought on the northern frontiers of the Roman empire. In his illuminating

Introduction Jesse L. Byock links the historical Huns, Burgundians, and Goths with the extraordinary events of this Icelandic saga. With its ill-fated Rhinegold, the sword reforged, and the magic ring of power, the saga resembles the *Nibelungenlied* and has been a primary source for such fantasy writers as J. R. R. Tolkien and for Richard Wagner's Ring cycle.

*The Story of Siegfried* Routledge Tolkien's famous translations and lectures on the story of two fifth-century heroes in northern Europe. Professor J.R.R. Tolkien is most widely known as the author of *The Hobbit* and *The Lord of the Rings*, but he was also a distinguished scholar in the field of Mediaeval English language and literature. His most significant contribution to Anglo-Saxon studies is to be found in his lectures on Finn and Hengest (pronounced Hen-jist), two fifth-century heroes in northern Europe. The story is told in two Old English poems, *Beowulf* and *The Fights at Finnesburg*, but told so obscurely and allusively that its interpretation had been a matter of controversy for over 100 years. Bringing his unique combination of philological

erudition and poetic imagination to the task, however, Tolkien revealed a classic tragedy of divided loyalties, of vengeance, blood and death. Tolkien's original and persuasive solution of the many problems raised by the story ranged widely through the early history and legend of the Germanic peoples. The story has the added attraction that it describes the events immediately preceding the first Germanic invasion of Britain which was led by Hengest himself. This book will be of interest not only to students of Old English and all those interested in the history of northern Europe and Anglo-Saxon England, but also admirers of *The Lord of the Rings* who will be fascinated to see how Tolkien handled a story which he did not invent.

*The Worlds of J. R. R. Tolkien* HarperCollins Presents the legend of King Arthur in an epic, but unfinished, poem written in Old English alliterative meter.

*The Elder Edda* HarperCollins Publishers From lightning-wielding Zeus, the supreme Greek god, to protective Hathor, the Egyptian goddess of love - heroes, gods, and monsters are brought to life in these retellings of myths from around the world.

Myths, Legends, and Sacred Stories is a children's book that invites you to explore all the well-known stories from Greek and Norse mythology, and a range of other cultures across more than 100 tales. Discover the fascinating myths of Anansi, the West African trickster god who takes the form of a spider; the story of the Wawilak Sisters of Arnhem Land in northern Australia, who form the land as they walk across it; or the Slavic tale of Ivan as he chases the mischievous Firebird. Read about ferocious, man-eating monsters such as the Minotaur and Fafnir the dragon, and the legendary heroes that fought them, like Theseus and Sigurd. Also included are the legends of Robin Hood, and of King Arthur and the Knights of the Round Table, epics from Asia, such as the Mahabharata and Gilgamesh, and a host of tales from Aztec mythology and a range of other cultures. As well as offering the retellings themselves, Myths, Legends, and Sacred Stories: a children's encyclopedia investigates the meanings of these primal stories, examining why these tales have stood the test of time over thousands of years. Themed features draw together elements that are common to

myths from all over the world, such as shapeshifters, mythical beasts, and magical weapons. Panels on modern retellings, such as Percy Jackson and The Little Mermaid, help to show why these myths are still relevant to our lives today.

*The Palace of Illusions* Oxford University Press, USA  
Contains stories from the age of chivalry, knights and holy quests.

*The Old English Exodus* Springer  
"A surprise from the author of *Chocolat*," New York Times bestselling author Joanne M. Harris, "this pacy adult fantasy is narrated by Loki, the Norse god of fire and mischief" (*Vogue*). This novel is a brilliant first-person narrative of the rise and fall of the Norse gods—retold from the point of view of the world's ultimate trickster, Loki. A #1 bestseller in the UK, *The Gospel of Loki* tells the story of Loki's recruitment from the underworld of Chaos, his many exploits on behalf of his one-eyed master, Odin, through to his eventual betrayal of the gods and the fall of Asgard itself. Using her lifelong passion for the Norse myths, New York Times bestseller Joanne M. Harris has created a vibrant and powerful fantasy novel that the Sunday Sun

recommends "to her long-standing audience with wit, style, and obvious enjoyment;" The Sunday Times claims it "lively and fun;" and The Metro adds that "Harris has enormous fun with her antihero...this mythical bad boy should beguile fans of Neil Gaiman."

*Song of the Nibelungs* Houghton Mifflin Harcourt  
It is well known that J.R.R. Tolkien published *The Hobbit* in 1937 and *The Lord of the Rings* in 1954-5. What may be less known is that he continued to write about Middle-earth in the decades that followed, right up until the years before his death in 1973. For him, Middle-earth was part of an entire world to be explored, and the writings in *The Nature of Middle-earth* reveal the journeys that he took as he sought to better understand his unique creation. He discusses sweeping themes as profound as Elvish immortality and reincarnation, and the Powers of the Valar, to the more earth-bound subjects of the lands and beasts of Númenor and the geography of the Rivers and Beacon-hills of Gondor.

*Norse Myths and Legends* HMH  
With Christopher Tolkien as your guide,

take a tour through this colourful gallery of enchanting art produced by J.R.R. Tolkien and presented in an elegant new slipcased edition. This collection of pictures, with text by Christopher Tolkien, now reissued after almost 30 years confirms J.R.R. Tolkien's considerable talent as an artist. It provides fascinating insight into his visual conception of many of the places and events familiar to readers of *The Hobbit*, *The Lord of the Rings* and *The Silmarillion*. Examples of his art range from delicate watercolours depicting Rivendell, the Forest of Lothlorien, Smaug, and Old Man Willow, to drawings and sketches of Moria Gate and Minas Tirith. Together they form a comprehensive collection of Tolkien's own illustrations for his most popular books. Also included are many of his beautiful designs showing patterns of flowers and trees, friezes, tapestries and heraldic devices associated with the world of Middle-earth. In their variety and scope they provide abundant visual evidence of the richness of his imagination. This enchanting gallery was personally selected by Christopher Tolkien who, through detailed notes on the sources for each picture, provides unique insight into the

artistic vision of his father, J.R.R. Tolkien. [Celtic Myth in Contemporary Children's Fantasy](#) Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Presents the prose translation of the Old English epic that Tolkien created as a young man, along with selections from lectures on the poem he gave later in life and a story and poetry he wrote in the style of folklore on the poem's themes. [The Nature of Middle-Earth](#) HarperCollins Johan Egerkrans long dreamed of illustrating the Norse mythology, and when he released *Norse Gods* in Swedish it was an immediate success. Egerkrans retells the most exciting and imaginative sagas of the Norse mythology: From the creation myth in which the first giant Ymer is hacked to pieces by Odin and his brothers, to the gods' final destruction in Ragnarök. This is a gorgeously illustrated book in which gods, giants, dwarves, monsters and heroes are presented in all their glory. A book for those who already know and love these stories, as well as for those who have yet to discover Scandinavian mythology. A definitive work for readers of all ages. "It is a pleasure to be enchanted by the suggestive visualizations of Angerboda, Hel, Freya,

Utgarda-Loki, Mimer and Surt." Dick Harrison, *Svenska Dagbladet*  
**Forged By Iron: Large Print Edition**  
 White Lion Publishing  
 How the First World War influenced the author of the *Lord of the Rings* Trilogy: "Very much the best book about J.R.R. Tolkien that has yet been written." —A. N. Wilson  
 As Europe plunged into World War I, J. R. R. Tolkien was a student at Oxford and part of a cohort of literary-minded friends who had wide-ranging conversations in their Tea Club and Barrovian Society. After finishing his degree, Tolkien experienced the horrors of the Great War as a signal officer in the Battle of the Somme, where two of those school friends died. All the while, he was hard at work on an original mythology that would become the basis of his literary masterpiece, the *Lord of the Rings* trilogy. In this biographical study, drawn in part from Tolkien's personal wartime papers, John Garth traces the development of the author's work during this critical period. He shows how the deaths of two comrades compelled Tolkien to pursue the dream they had shared, and argues that the young man used his imagination not to

escape from reality—but to transform the cataclysm of his generation. While Tolkien’s contemporaries surrendered to disillusionment, he kept enchantment alive, reshaping an entire literary tradition into a form that resonates to this day. “Garth’s fine study should have a major audience among serious students of Tolkien.” —Publishers Weekly “A highly intelligent book . . . Garth displays impressive skills both as researcher and writer.” —Max Hastings, author of *The Secret War* “Somewhere, I think, Tolkien is nodding in appreciation.” —San Jose Mercury News “A labour of love in which journalist Garth combines a newsman’s nose for a good story with a scholar’s scrupulous attention to detail . . . Brilliantly argued.” —Daily Mail (UK) “Gripping from start to finish and offers important new insights.” —Library Journal “Insight into how a writer turned academia into art, how deeply friendship supports and wounds us, and how the death and disillusionment that characterized World War I inspired Tolkien’s lush saga.” —Detroit Free Press  
**Norse gods** HarperCollins  
 Analyzes and illuminates Tolkien's lesser-

known achievements as an artist and collects the complete artwork created for "The Hobbit," including over one hundred sketches, paintings, maps, and plans. [The Saga of the Volsungs](#) Collins Educational  
 Taking us back to a time that is half history, half myth and wholly magical, bestselling author Chitra Banerjee Divakaruni gives voice to Panchaali, the fire-born heroine of the Mahabharata, as she weaves a vibrant retelling of an ancient epic saga. Married to five royal husbands who have been cheated out of their father's kingdom, Panchaali aids their quest to reclaim their birthright, remaining at their side through years of exile and a terrible civil war. But she cannot deny her complicated friendship with the enigmatic Krishna—or her secret attraction to the mysterious man who is her husbands' most dangerous enemy—as she is caught up in the ever-manipulating hands of fate. [The Book of Lost Tales](#) Anchor  
 From the translator of the bestselling *Poetic Edda* (Hackett, 2015) comes a gripping new rendering of two of the greatest sagas of Old Norse literature. Together the two sagas recount the story

of seven generations of a single legendary heroic family and comprise our best source of traditional lore about its members—including, among others, the dragon-slayer Sigurd, Brynhild the Valkyrie, and the Viking chieftain Ragnar Lothbrok. [The Story Of Kullervo](#) Univ of California Press  
 Many years ago, J.R.R. Tolkien composed his own version of the great legend of Northern antiquity, recounted here in *The Legend of Sigurd and Gudrún*. In the Lay of the Völsungs is told the ancestry of the great hero Sigurd, the slayer of Fáfnir, most celebrated of dragons; of his awakening of the Valkyrie Brynhild, who slept surrounded by a wall of fire, and of their betrothal; and of his coming to the court of the great princes who were named the Niflungs (or Nibelungs), with whom he entered into blood-brotherhood. In scenes of dramatic intensity, of confusion of identity, thwarted passion, jealousy, and bitter strife, the tragedy of Sigurd and Brynhild, of Gunnar the Niflung and Gudrún his sister, mounts to its end in the murder of Sigurd, the suicide of Brynhild, and the despair of Gudrún. The

Lay of Gudrún recounts her fate after the death of Sigurd, her marriage against her will to the mighty Atli, ruler of the Huns (the Attila of history), his murder of her brothers, and her hideous revenge.

*The Saga of the Volsungs* HarperCollins "Every page brings forth the elegiac tone of JRR Tolkien's work... It is a beautiful book, including many wonderful pictures by Tolkien himself... Garth's book made me realise the impact that Tolkien has had on my life." The Times A lavishly illustrated exploration of the places that inspired and shaped the work of J.R.R. Tolkien, creator of Middle-earth. This new book from renowned expert John Garth takes us to the places that inspired J.R.R. Tolkien to create his fictional locations in *The Lord of the Rings*, *The Hobbit* and other classic works. Featuring more than 100 images, it includes Tolkien's own illustrations, contributions from other artists, archive images, maps and spectacular present-day photographs. Inspirational locations range across Great Britain - particularly Tolkien's beloved West Midlands and Oxford - but also overseas to all points of the compass. Sources are located for Hobbiton, the

elven valley of Rivendell, the Glittering Caves of Helm's Deep, and many other key spots in Middle-earth, as well as for its mountain scenery, forests, rivers, lakes and shorelands. A rich interplay is revealed between Tolkien's personal travels, his wide reading and his deep scholarship as an Oxford professor. Garth uses his own profound knowledge of Tolkien's life and work to uncover the extraordinary processes of invention, to debunk popular misconceptions about the inspirations for Middle-earth, and to put forward strong new claims of his own. Organised by theme, *The Worlds of J.R.R. Tolkien* is an illustrated journey into the life and imagination of one of the world's best-loved authors, an exploration of the relationship between worlds real and fantastical, and an inspiration for anyone who wants to follow in Tolkien's footsteps. **The Story of Sigurd the Volsung and the Fall of the Niflungs** Penguin UK Deluxe edition limited to 500 copies worldwide, signed by Christopher Tolkien. Containing a facsimile page of original manuscript, it is hand-bound in goat-skin and features raised spine ribs; the pages are edged in gold. The book is housed in a

matching leather traycase lined in real suede and protected in its own shipping carton. In the Lay of the Volsungs is told the ancestry of the great hero Sigurd, the slayer of Fenrir most celebrated of dragons, whose treasure he took for his own; of his awakening of the Valkyrie Brynhild who slept surrounded by a wall of fire, and of their betrothal; and of his coming to the court of the great princes who were named the Niflungs (or Nibelungs), with whom he entered into blood-brotherhood. In that court there sprang great love but also great hate, brought about by the power of the enchantress, mother of the Niflungs, skilled in the arts of magic, of shape-changing and potions of forgetfulness. In scenes of dramatic intensity, of confusion of identity, thwarted passion, jealousy and bitter strife, the tragedy of Sigurd and Brynhild, of Gunnar the Niflung and Gudrún his sister, mounts to its end in the murder of Sigurd at the hands of his blood-brothers, the suicide of Brynhild, and the despair of Gudrún. In the Lay of Gudrún her fate after the death of Sigurd is told, her marriage against her will to the mighty Atli, ruler of the Huns (the Attila of

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*The King of Ireland's Son* B. Wahlströms Bokförlag  
This illustrated work provides a detailed introduction to the most famous gods and goddesses in Norse mythology and their exploits.

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