



Week 3 – Notes

- I. Chronology
 - a. Old English
 - b. 1066 → Norman Conquest
 - c. Middle English
 - d. Chaucer (1242 > 1400)
 - e. 1500's → Modern English
 - f. Shakespeare (1564 > 1616)
- II. Anglo-Norman Period
 - a. Black Death (Plague) 1348.
 - b. Power to workers established. Middle class.
 - c. Romances Written
 - d. Saints Lives
 - e. Women Writers
 - f. Mystery Plays
- III. Other Writers
 - a. Gower
 - b. Langlain
 - c. Gawain Poet
 - d. Wakefield Master
 - e. Chaucer
 - i. Wrote in Middle English (language of the people)
 - ii. Helps standardize spelling and phrasing.
 - iii. Poetic portraits