



Beowulf, Britain's national epic, is written in a language requiring translation for English-speakers.

Seamus Heaney - the Irish poet and Nobel Laureate - produced a masterful translation of the work, as depicted by this cover image.

One of its many accolades is this, from Andrew Motion (of the *Financial Times*), online via Amazon's website:

The whole performance is wonderfully intermediate - poised between the Bible and folk wisdom, between the Light Ages and the Dark Ages - and at the same time pulverisingly actual in its language. He has made a masterpiece out of a masterpiece.

Credits:

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