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What makes Modern Scottish Gaelic Poems unique is its exploration of separation of the Gaelic writers from home in a modern era. To anyone familiar with the culture, it will be understood that the intimacy of "home" is as deeply rooted in the language itself as much as it is in the hillsides and shores of the Scots' n It is rare that I will.

George Buchanan , playwright, poet and political theorist, by Arnold Bronckorst Lyndsay produced an interlude at Linlithgow Palace for the king and queen thought to be a version of his play *The Thrie Estaitis* in , which satirised the corruption of church and state, and which is the only complete play to survive from before the Reformation. In interpreters were declared no longer necessary in the port of London because Scots and Englishmen were now "not so far different bot ane understandeth ane uther". Jenny Wormald described James as creating a "three-tier system, with Gaelic at the bottom and English at the top". A number of Scottish poets, including William Alexander, John Murray and Robert Aytoun, accompanied the king to London, where they continued to write, [22] but they soon began to anglicise their written language. While Classical poetry used a language largely fixed in the twelfth century, the vernacular continued to develop. In contrast to the Classical tradition, which used syllabic metre , vernacular poets tended to use stressed metre. However, they shared with the Classic poets a set of complex metaphors and role, as the verse was still often panegyric. A number of these vernacular poets were women, [26] such as Mary MacLeod of Harris c. Some ballads may date back to the late medieval era and deal with events and people that can be traced back as far as the thirteenth century, including " Sir Patrick Spens " and " Thomas the Rhymer ", but which are not known to have existed until the eighteenth century. The Kirk used theatre for its own purposes in schools and was slow to suppress popular folk dramas. In Edinburgh lawyer William Clerke wrote *Marciano or the Discovery*, a play about the restoration of a legitimate dynasty in Florence after many years of civil war. Allan Ramsay poet *After the Union* in and the shift of political power to England, the use of Scots was discouraged by many in authority and education. Allan Ramsay " was considered the most important literary figure of the era, often described as leading a "vernacular revival". He laid the foundations of a reawakening of interest in older Scottish literature, publishing *The Ever Green* , a collection that included many major poetic works of the Stewart period. These included William Hamilton of Gilbertfield c. Theatre of Scotland Drama was pursued by Scottish playwrights in London such as Catherine Trotter " , born in London to Scottish parents and later moving to Aberdeen. Her plays and included the verse-tragedy *Fatal Friendship* , the comedy *Love at a Loss* and the history *The Revolution in Sweden* These developed the character of the stage Scot, often a clown, but cunning and loyal. The opera *Masque of Alfred* was a collaboration between Thompson, Mallet and composer Thomas Arne , with Thompson supplying the lyrics for his most famous work, the patriotic song *Rule, Britannia!* By English actor Anthony Aston , a friend of Ramsay, was performing in Edinburgh, but seems to have fallen foul of the Scottish Master of the Revels , who licensed plays, companies and playhouses, and soon left. In the Kirk attacked theatres as immoral in the *Admonition and Exhortation*. Wormald, Court, Kirk, and Community: MacDonald, "Gaelic literature" in M. Oxford University Press, ,.

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Gaelic Poetry for English Classes? Meg Bateman The text of a paper given to the ASLS Schools Conference in I have been kindly asked to speak at this conference to make the suggestion that you might include some modern Gaelic poetry in translation in the work you do with your English classes. In my talk I hope to let you decide if this would be a good idea by talking about the poets involved, the books where their work is to be found, and the perspectives from which their work might be usefully studied. Before I start on such practicalities I should take a moment to address the question of why teach Gaelic poetry in translation at all. A purist could argue that translation makes a nonsense of poetry and in some sense that is undoubtedly correct. A defence might be made on the grounds that poetry is in any case a translation " a translation from feeling to words, from a private insight to a parallel, hopefully communicable, experience. If this partially defends the teaching of translated poetry, I will continue with defending the teaching of Gaelic poetry, though perhaps to this audience no defence is necessary. I would make such a defence on three grounds, the most important of which must be that there is some very good Gaelic poetry. The second argument is compatible with the notions of a child-centred curriculum. Gaelic, as one of the cultures constituting this nation, is bound to impinge at some level on all of the population. Any exposure bringing understanding and respect between the cultures can only be a good thing. I would be pleased to see a speaker on this platform next year representing translated poetry from other cultures in Scotland " translated for example from Urdu, Punjabi. A rather more political point is that after centuries of the active destruction of the Gaelic language and culture by the school system, there is now a chance to make good a wrong. I would not want to make this claim on political grounds alone, if there were any question of pupils having to suffer for the sins of their fathers. But there is good material It was first published in and is due to come out again next month, November I feel it is a book where virtually every poem works. That may be too subjective a remark to be useful. The book as a whole has a certain homogeneity about it; it comes from a distinct time and a distinct place, with distinct perspectives on the world. All of the five contributors are Highlanders, born between and , all are men and university-educated. They all share some of the following characteristics: This hurt is made clear in the lines of Derick Thomson: The heart tied to a tethering post, round upon round of the rope, till it grows short, and the mind free. I bought its freedom dearly. Water and Peat and Oats The most important characteristic uniting the poets is the passion and honesty of their probing which accepts no easy answers. When their poetry was first published this was particularly refreshing as for over a century new Gaelic poetry had consisted mostly of sentimental evocations of a past that never was. There was of course good reason for this: It is no wonder if their preference was not for reality, but for a few hours of escapism that could hold them together before their return to the wheels of British Industry. Poems are not written to an agenda, but we inevitably teach to one. Therefore it is important we realise the limitations this is in no way a criticism, but a statement of fact of the first anthology which are partially righted by the second. Four of the eight poets in the second anthology are women, three are conventionally religious, three are Gaelic learners, one is gay, and all of them reflect the world thirty or forty years later on. If my talk were addressed to teachers of Gaelic rather than English I would speak much longer about this second anthology, because I think it is important that young people from a Gaelic background do not think as they might gather from the first book that you have to be male and reject established religion to be a "thinker". For Gaelic speakers, the second volume is interesting precisely because it does not have an exclusively island perspective. The language rather than the subject-matter defines it as Gaelic in what I believe is a healthy expansion of domain. The oldest poet amongst these, and indeed the inspiration of much of what followed, is Sorley Maclean b. Most of his poems were written in his late twenties and were a sort of enquiry into the conflicting demands of love, political idealism and self-preservation. The

scenario which generated many of the poems was as follows: MacLean was a young man in love. This experience inspired in him new levels of commitment to humanity, which at that time meant fighting fascism in Spain. The contemplation of such heroic action also entailed the contemplation of death, and hence an end to love, but his fear of death also deprived him of the self-worth necessary to pursue love. I think many young people can relate to this sort of perfectionism. His poetry can also be used to discuss questions of social justice, in particular the Clearances see the poem Hallaig and to show symbolism at work with his use of the dramatic landscape of Skye. He has a number of highly-crafted poems where some features of the old way of life in the islands a hand-made coffin, a well, etc becomes a metaphor for change. These illustrate very clearly how the interweaving of the concrete and extended resonances make for a poem in which the overall effect is far greater than the sum of the parts. They are also the poems in the anthology which most poignantly grieve for the past. The poetry of Iain Crichton Smith well illustrates the use of highly-coloured, if not surreal, language and imagery. The poetry of Donald MacAulay makes much the same plea, and asks that people be given the respect to live by their individual yardsticks. He shows a suspicion of group behaviour and easy answers, and is critical of the sort of censorship practised by the very communities which Derick Thomson regards with such nostalgia. George Campbell Hay stands out from the other poets in the anthology as being a poet of celebration, using beautiful language to evoke beautiful scenery. His anti-war poems too come from the same premise that life is beautiful and war a most unnatural evil. I hope I have shown that this anthology could be a rich source of poems in the upper school and that I have given an idea of some possible approaches, both thematic and formal. The book itself has a detailed introduction and citations of other publications should a deeper study of an individual poet be required. I would like to end with mention of a poem by the youngest poet in the second anthology, In the Face of Eternity. She is Anne Frater b. In detail, she describes herself watching with a group of neighbours busy with sheep-dipping. At first she is reluctant to join in, feeling slightly cold and the job being messy. I leave you here with this typically island scene depicted by a young woman who recognises language as the ultimate source of her identity.

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The runic inscription on the Ruthwell Cross similar to the Anglo-Saxon poem the Dream of the Rood After the collapse of Roman authority in the early fifth century, four major circles of political and cultural influence emerged in Northern Britain. Modern scholarship, based on surviving place names and historical evidence, indicates that the Pictish language was Brythonic British. In the south were the British Brythonic -speaking descendants of the peoples of the Roman-influenced kingdoms of " The Old North ", the most powerful and longest surviving of which was the Kingdom of Strathclyde. Finally, there were the English or "Angles", Germanic invaders who had overrun much of southern Britain and held the Kingdom of Bernicia later the northern part of Northumbria , which reached into what are now the Borders of Scotland in the south-east. No written literature for the Picts has survived into the modern era. At this time it was not then confined to Wales and Cornwall. These works were only written down in Wales much later. These include The Gododdin , considered the earliest surviving verse from Scotland, which is attributed to the bard Aneirin , said to have been resident in Brythonic kingdom of Gododdin in the sixth century. It is a series of elegies to the men of Gododdin killed fighting at the Battle of Catraeth around AD. Similarly, the Battle of Gwen Ystrad is attributed to Taliesin , traditionally thought to be a bard at the court of Rheged in roughly the same period. Outside of these there are a few poems in praise of Pictish kings contained within Irish annals that are probably from Scotland. Ninian , was written in Latin in Whithorn , perhaps as early as the eighth century. Scotland in the High Middle Ages Beginning in the later eighth century, Viking raids and invasions may have forced a merger of the Gaelic and Pictish crowns. Fuller sources for Ireland of the same period suggest that there would have been filidh , who acted as poets, musicians and historians, often attached to the court of a lord or king, and passed on their knowledge and culture in Gaelic to the next generation. After this "de-gallicisation" of the Scottish court, a less highly regarded order of bards took over the functions of the filidh, and they would continue to act in a similar role in the Highlands and Islands into the eighteenth century. They often trained in bardic schools. A few of these, like the one run by the MacMhuirich dynasty, who were bards to the Lord of the Isles , [16] continued until they were suppressed from the seventeenth century. Thomas Owen Clancy has argued that the Lebor Bretnach , the so-called "Irish Nennius", was written in Scotland, and probably at the monastery in Abernethy , but this text survives only from manuscripts preserved in Ireland. His Heading for Damietta c. There was a proliferation of Latin lives of the saints, often venerating early Celtic and Scottish figures, and the creation or embellishment of foundations myths for religious centres including St. Andrews , Glasgow and Dunkeld. Owen, to have been written in Scotland. There is some Norse literature from areas of Scandinavian settlement, such as the Northern and Western Isles. The famous Orkneyinga Saga however, although it pertains to the Earldom of Orkney , was written in Iceland. It was derived largely from Old English, with the addition of elements from Gaelic and French. Although resembling the language spoken in northern England, it became a distinct dialect from the late fourteenth century onwards. As a result, Gaelic, once dominant north of the Tay, began a steady decline. Beside Scottish Gaelic verse it contains a large number of poems composed in Ireland as well verse and prose in Scots and Latin. The subject matter includes love poetry, heroic ballads and philosophical pieces. It also is notable for containing poetry by at least four women. They were probably influenced by Scots versions of popular French romances that were also produced in the period, including The Buik of Alexander , Launcelot o the Laik , The Porteous of Noblenes by Gilbert Hay [17] and Greysteil , which would remain popular through the late sixteenth century. It contains the work of many Scots poets who would otherwise be unknown. Palliser, eds, The Medieval State:

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Edwin Morgan , poet, playwright and the first official Scots Makar In the early twentieth century there was a new surge of activity in Scottish literature, influenced by modernism and resurgent nationalism, known as the Scottish Renaissance. MacDiarmid attempted to revive the Scots language as a medium for serious literature in poetic works including " A Drunk Man Looks at the Thistle " , developing a form of Synthetic Scots that combined different regional dialects and archaic terms. Others demonstrated a greater interest in English language poetry, among them Norman MacCaig 196 , George Bruce and Maurice Lindsay He was also the first Scots Makar the official national poet , appointed by the inaugural Scottish government in His work inspired a new generation to take up nea bhardachd the new poetry. They all focused on the issues of exile, the fate of the Gaelic language and bi-culturalism. His most personal work is contained in the collection of Elegies , which deal with the death of his first wife from cancer. Novel in Scotland Among the most important novels of the early twentieth century was The House with the Green Shutters by George Douglas Brown , a realist work that broke with the Kailyard tradition to depict modern Scottish society, using Scots language and disregarding nostalgia. His prolific output included the historical novel Witchwood , set in seventeenth-century Scotland, and the posthumously published Sick Heart River , a study of physiological breakdown in the wilderness of Canada of which Buchan was governor-general from until his death. His work was an important link between the tradition of Scot and Stevenson and the Scottish Renaissance. There were also a large number of female authors associated with the movement, who demonstrated a growing feminine consciousness. Eric Linklater produced comedies of the absurd including Juan in America dealing with prohibition America, and a critique of modern war in Private Angelo Lewis Grassie Gibbon, the pseudonym of James Leslie Mitchell, produced one of the most important realisations of the ideas of the Scottish Renaissance in his trilogy A Scots Quair Sunset Song , , Cloud Howe, and Grey Granite , which mixed different Scots dialects with the narrative voice. It ended the careers of some novelists and delayed the start of others. Also important in the movement was Peter Kravitz , editor of Polygon Books. Banks, produced ground-breaking science fiction. Theatre in Scotland J. Barrie was amongst the most successful of Scottish literary exports, spending most of his career in England. His Peter Pan , which began life as a play, is one best known stories in English. Barrie is often linked to the Kailyard movement and his early plays such as Quality Street and The Admirable Crichton deal with temporary inversions of the normal social order. His later works, such as Dear Brutus and Mary Rose , focused on historical themes. As well as drawing on his medical experience, as in The Anatomist , his plays included middle class satires such as The Sunlight Sonata and often called on biblical characters such as devils and angels, as in Mr. Hundreds of amateur groups were established, particularly in the growing urban centres of the Lowlands. In the interwar period its aim was taken up by other amateur companies, particularly the Curtain Theatre , Glasgow, [18] who "discovered" the work of Robert McLellan 1985 , including his first full length play Toom Byers and his best known work Jamie the Saxt A talented comic dramatist, his commitment to the use of Lallans limited his impact on the wider theatrical world. Until the s relations with between the two co-existing festivals were strained. Together they are now the largest, and among the most prestigious, arts festivals in the world, and have included large and small-scale theatrical productions. This allowed much greater artistic freedom, but local authorities in Scotland still retained the ability to prosecute "obscene performances" under local by-laws and statutes. These plays opened the way for a new form of independent and politically committed community theatre. The trend was kicked off by 7: Key figures included Iain Crichton Smith, whose plays explored wide ranging themes. Many of these authors continued writing into the s and even the s, but this was something of a golden age for Gaelic drama that has not been matched. The Scottish Arts Council encouraged theatre companies to function

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as business, finding funding in ticket sales and commercial sponsorship. The company found touring difficult as there were insufficient large venues that could generate the necessary income outside of the major cities. Despite some critical triumphs, the company was wound down in . There was also a change from a habit of one writer working with one company to several companies drawing on a community of writers. Brill Rodopi, , pp.

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