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- READER 1:** Hear this! Listen to the legend of Beowulf, a mighty warrior.
- ALL READERS:** Beowulf, Beowulf, Beowulf.
- READER 2:** Hrothgar's castle in the country of Denmark was terrorized by a savage beast.
- READER 3:** When the moon came out, the monster, named Grendel, came out to feed on humans.
- READER 4:** He broke the castle doors as if they were toys and grabbed people for his meal.
- READER 5:** Grendel relished feasting on thirty men at a time and spitting out their bones.
- READER 1:** The number of Hrothgar's people dwindled. Some were killed, some moved, and many hid. Hrothgar was sad.
- READER 2:** Then, a ship of Geats sailed into the harbor.
- ALL READERS:** Beowulf, Beowulf, Beowulf.
- READER 3:** On the ship was Prince Beowulf of the Geats. He was well-known for his achievements.
- READER 4:** With Beowulf were his brave warriors, and they offered their services to Hrothgar.

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BEOWULF: I, Beowulf, have come to rid your land of the slimy beast of the swamp.

ALL READERS: Beware, Beowulf, beware.

READER 5: Hrothgar warned Beowulf that neither armor, swords, nor shields could stop the ferocious beast. Beowulf was not frightened.

BEOWULF: Then, I will fight the beast hand to hand.

READER 1: Beowulf and his men prepared for the night. His warriors slept with their shields and swords close at hand.

READER 2: Beowulf did not sleep.

ALL READERS: Beware, Beowulf, beware.

READER 3: When the moon rose high in the sky, Grendel crept from his swampy home and stalked to the castle door.

ALL READERS: Beware, Beowulf, beware.

READER 4: Grendel shattered the door, grabbed one of the Geat warriors, and gobbled him up. The beast reached for another warrior.

ALL READERS: Beware, Beowulf, beware.

READER 5: Beowulf seized the hairy arm of Grendel and squeezed tightly. Grendel tried to shake Beowulf off his arm.