

## **Session 1: Reading (pages 6–10)**

### **Before Reading**

Look at the front cover and page 5 with the children. Discuss any previous knowledge they have of the Beowulf story and why the information on page 5 has been included.

### **During Reading**

Children consider the main question as they read to page 10.

Main question: **How does Grendel address the reader?**

**(Y4 t1, Making Inferences)**

#### *Additional prompts*

Page 6:                   How does Grendel feel about humans?

Page 8:                   What does Grendel tell the reader about how he feels about his mother?

### **After Reading**

Discuss the main question and discuss the humour that is created through the way that Grendel addresses the reader.

**Follow-up:** children read pages 11–16 and write a prediction about what they think will happen next.