



# The Anglo-Saxons and States of Matter

## Year 4 Further Reading List Summer 2

Book	Author	Blurb
<i>Beowulf</i>	<i>Rob Lloyd Jones &amp; Victor Tavares</i>	Beowulf is the story of monsters, warriors, journeys and battles. The pages of this Usborne version of the Anglo-Saxon classic Beowulf are filled with rich but accessible language and engaging illustrations. This Usborne version is the most accessible version of Beowulf for Years 3 and 4.
<i>Anglo-Saxon Boy</i>	<i>Tony Bradman</i>	This exciting story from Tony Bradman is a popular choice in KS2 classrooms and is set just before the Battle of Hastings in 1066. Follow the story of young Magnus and his adventure-packed journey to the Battle of Hastings, as he is forced to contend with vicious family feuds and merciless claims to the throne. Full of excitement, danger and all the gore of the period, this is an action-packed novel brimming with historical details.
<i>Men, Women and Children in Anglo-Saxon Times</i>	<i>Jane Bingham</i>	Men, Women and Children in Anglo-Saxon Times is a handy non-fiction text that allows children to pursue answers to their own questions about everyday life in Anglo-Saxon Times. Topics include what Anglo-Saxon children did at school, what people did for fun and what jobs they did. This is the kind of book that helps young readers to move beyond hard facts and begin to reflect on what life might have felt like for those living in early Medieval times.
<i>Freedom for Bron: The Boy Who Saved a Kingdom</i>	<i>N. S. Blackman</i>	Set in Anglo-Saxon Kent, this book tells the story of a slave boy called Bron, who is drawn into a gripping adventure with warlords, warriors and kings. The story is well researched and makes it easy for pupils to engage imaginatively with the historical setting as seen through the eyes of a child. The book also has an in-depth information section at the end to provide further historical context about the Saxons and the Jutes. A <a href="#">free, downloadable KS2 pack to accompany the book is also available.</a>
<i>The Princess Who Hid in a Tree</i>	<i>Jackie Holderness &amp; Alan Marks</i>	The story of Frideswide, a female saint who helped to found Oxford during Anglo-Saxon times. Frideswide is a feisty young princess who loves climbing trees. After being kidnapped by King Algar of Mercia, she uses her skills to escape. Frideswide went on to found Oxford's first Saxon church, which became Christ Church Cathedral and she is still the patron saint of both the City and University of Oxford. Her story includes adventure, suspense and a few surprises, captured in this picture book with Alan Marks' stunning artwork.
<i>States of Matter</i>	<i>Georgia Amson-Bradshaw</i>	How matter behaves depends on its state. Whether something is a solid, liquid, or gas can change how it may respond to outside forces, including temperature. This topic might seem complicated to some, but in this book, the states of matter are explained through fun, relatable examples and diagrams to reinforce science curriculum content. Hands-on experiments featuring equipment readers can find around the house allow them to apply their knowledge to the topic right away. Straightforward explanations of key concepts and terms will serve them well as they answer quiz questions and riddles throughout the book and in the classroom.