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Reflections

**Part 1**

**BEOWULF Lines 2200-2239**

**Theme**: The Supernatural

**Quote**: “high barrow-hall, / towering stone-mound" (2212-13)

**Explanation**: These specific words are a clear explanation of the mystic element that prevails in Beowulf. It is a clear explanation of a scary dragon who begins to stalk the entire area of the countryside at night. It is one supernatural phenomenon that greatly impacts the thoughts and feelings of the audience about the Beowulf (Rauer 34). The historical scenario clearly reveals about the time-period when Beowulf was the king of the Geats and rules this region for many years. It was the time when a dragon starts destroying a building in the city and the great hall of Beowulf is one of them.

**BEOWULF Lines 2793-2820**

**Theme**: Wealth

**Quote**: "To the everlasting Lord of All,
to the King of Glory, I give thanks
that I behold this treasure here in front of me,
that I have been allowed to leave my people
so well-endowed on the day I die." (2793-2798)

**Explanation**: Wealth is one critical and explicit aspect in case of the reign of Beowulf. The treasure was established as the one great motivation for the king. With the passage of time, he feels diverged about the treasure that he has gained from the battle with Dragon. The importance of wealth can explore in another manner that he always feels great that a great deal of wealth was associated with the kingdom. This specific quote defines his two thoughts or aspirations he was happy to leave his people with a great amount of wealth but on another hand, he felt sad about the gold that exists in the form of treasure.

**3rd Chaucer General Prologue**

**Theme**: Society and Social Status

**Quote**: “*The Prioress] peyned hire to countrefete chere
Of court, and to ben estatlich of manere,
And to ben holden digne of reverence”*.
(General Prologue 139 – 141)

**Explanation**: The desire to portraying noble eventually compels Prioress to adopt different practical steps and making herself ridiculous is one of them. She was eager to get some prestigious social position in society to herself as a noble entity. She was holding to believe that dignity is the fundamental approach to gain success (Orchard 100). She was committed to her objective and took different measures to achieve this particular goal effectively and efficiently.

**4th Chaucer“Nun’s Priest’s Tale” and “Pardoner’s Tale”**

**Theme**: Friendship

**Quote**: “*At night came into that hostelrye
Wel nyne and twenty in a companye
Of sondry folk, by aventure y-falle
In felawshipe, and pilgrims were they all”*.
(General Prologue 23 – 26)

**Explanation**: *companye* and *felawshipe* are the specific words used by the author to illustrate the aspect of companionship and the need of the group. The first world is the xplanation of the travelling of people in the form of a group. This particular prospect becomes the reason of great companionship for them. Pilgrims were the chances for them to enhance the perspective of group domains and the principles of fellowship.

**5th Dante's Inferno Canto 1, 2, 3, 4**

**Theme**: Lies and Deceit

**Quote**: “But to retell the good discovered there,
I’ll also tell the other things I saw.
I cannot clearly say how I had entered
the wood; I was so full of sleep just at
the point where I abandoned the true path”. (*Inf*. I. 8-12)

**Explanation**: Nature of sin is one crucial approach mentioned by the author significantly through these lines. This specific passage clearly reveals about the individuals who attempt to abandon the right path guided for them by God. It is revealed that passage of truth is difficult and it requires great effort to achieve this specific target. The complexity of this concept also made it difficult for Dante to distinguish between right and wrong.

**6th Dante's Inferno Canto 5, 6, 7, 8**

**Theme**: Respect and Reputation

**Quote**: "How many up above now count themselves
great kings, who’ll wallow here like pigs in slime,
leaving behind foul memories of their crimes!" (*Inf*. VIII, 49-51)

**Explanation**: Virgil clearly points out the phenomenon of standards of respect that prevails in society. It is interesting to examine different domains of the reputations that even exist considering the approach of the afterlife (Ganiban 15). He clearly conveyed his thoughts that it is essential for the people to evaluate their actions and standards of morality to ensure proper blend with the immortal world.

**Part 2**

**Quote: “**But they fled to the woods, where they saved their lives. Yet in one of them surged a feeling of remorse, for he well remembered the bonds of loyalty, as he considered his kinship”.

**Explanation:** This specific quote from the Beowulf is greatly interesting as it expressed about one of the crucial practice for human beings that reflect in the form of loyalty.It is one necessary condition to be successful in different aspects of life. People need to be loyal to their masters otherwise it turned as the great regret.

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