

The JRR Tolkien Discussion Group

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Next meeting: June 15, 2-4PM at Grace Lutheran Church, 1107 Main St. West Hamilton

Last meeting:

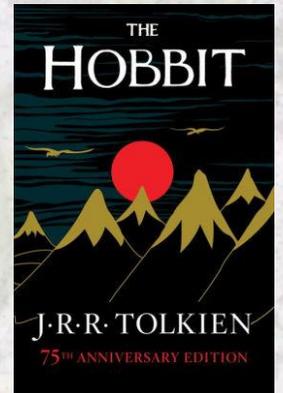
We completed our discussion of Chapters 2 and 3. Bilbo is well on his way now to confronting the dragon Smaug.

Next meeting:

Come join us on June 15 as we continue by reading Chapters 4 and 5 of Tolkien's lighthearted book The Hobbit!

Summer BBQ:

Come join us on July 13 for a summer BBQ and a discussion of poetry and songs from Tolkien. No need to have attended prior meetings!



Fun Facts from the World of JRR Tolkien

Tarin Austa

Tarin Austa is the Elven name for Midsummer's Day which is celebrated annually on June 21. On Midsummer's Eve, people stay up all night and dance, share stories, and enjoy the star-filled sky. When the sun rises the following morning, celebration occurs to welcome the life-giving light.



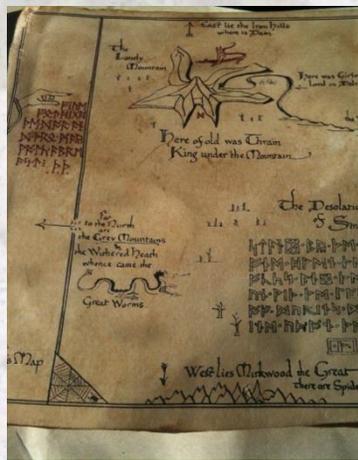
Glamdring

This sword was forged over 6000 years ago in the High Elven city of Gondolin. After the loss of that city to the dark powers, the sword was missing. It turns up in a troll-hoard in The Hobbit and is used by Gandalf for any necessary 'foe-hammering' that takes place afterwards.



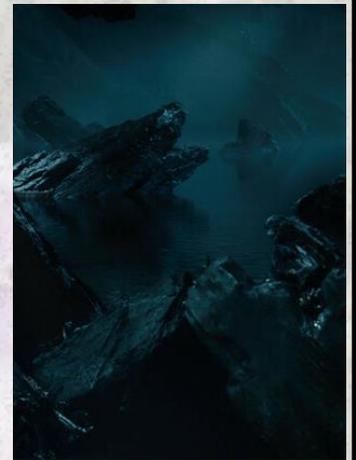
Thrór's Map

This map was drawn by Thorin's grandfather Thrór after Smaug had taken the Lonely Mountain when Thorin was 24 years old. The map contains hidden text that proves critical for the Quest to succeed. 'Stand by the grey stone when the thrush knocks...'



Goblin Town

Ruled by the Great Goblin, Goblin Town is just one of many goblin and orc holds within the Misty Mountains. Unbeknownst to the goblins, however, a long dark and disused tunnel leads on into the mountains' roots, where another creature dwells with a powerful artefact from the ancient past.



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