

# The JRR Tolkien Discussion Group

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Next meeting: June 29, 2-4PM at Grace Lutheran Church, 1107 Main St. West Hamilton

## Last meeting:

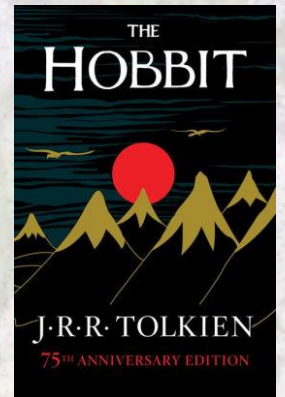
We completed our discussion of Chapters 3 and 4. Bilbo met the Great Goblin and confronts the creature Gollum. He also finds strength and courage and understands the meaning of pity.

## Next meeting:

Come join us on June 29 as we continue by reading Chapters 6 to 8!

## Summer BBQ:

Has been postponed to July 27 and will begin at 1 PM followed by the discussion.



## Fun Facts from the World of JRR Tolkien

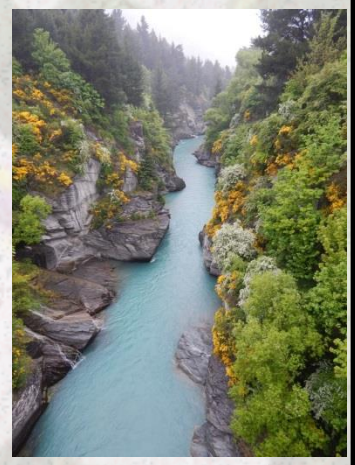
### The Eagles

The eagles make several appearances in the legendarium in moments of eucatastrophe. The Eagles are associated with Manwe Sulimo, the Keeper of the Airs, and are fragments of Eru's thought. The eagles are seen as divine beings, not to be controlled or commanded, but acting according to Eru's desires.



### The Great River

Also called Anduin the Great, this is the longest river of Middle-earth. It flows ~1200 miles from the Grey Mountains in the north through Wilderland, past Gondor to its mouth in the south. The broad vale in Wilderland is dangerous to travellers, where goblins roam freely and safe havens are few.



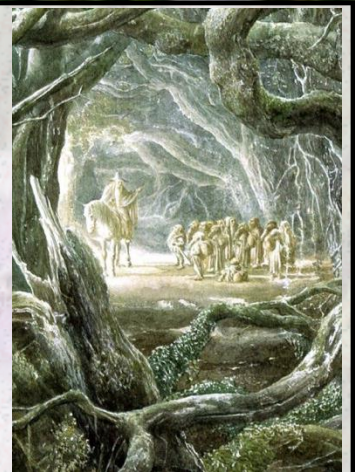
### Beorn

Beorn's name means 'bear-warrior' in the language of the northmen which is due to his shape-shifting ability. He prefers the company of animals rather than human, and lives alone with animals in the vale of the Great River. He despises the nature-killing attitude of goblins and hunts them at night near his home.



### The Forest Gate

The Forest Gate marks the beginning of the elf-path at the western end of Mirkwood, the great forest that must be crossed to reach the Lonely Mountain. The path is the only sure way to cross the forest, and leaving it is a sure way to encounter the forests' denizens before you ever found your way back out.



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