

# Methods in Historical Research and Exposition:

*A Process-Based Approach to World History*



## *LECTURE I: Dealing with Doubt*

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# Process Objective

*Learn to manipulate limited facts to make convincing and persuasive arguments.*



# Celtic Roots of English



Bard (Scottish Gaelic)

Bunny (Scottish Gaelic)

Freckle (Welsh)

Penguin (Welsh)

Bog (Irish)

England before Roman invasion by (Julius Caesar in 55 B.C. E. and)  
Emperor Claudius in 43 C.E.: Tribal pagans





CUCHULAINN CARRIES FERDIAD ACROSS THE RIVER

Cuchulainn, Warrior of Old Irish Mythology





Cruatchan, a modern-day Irish band emulating ancient pagan style

# Latin Influence



Roman Britannia in early 2<sup>nd</sup> century C.E.



# Latin Influence



Emperor Claudius



# Latin Influence

Latin Nouns and Adjectives			
Citation form	Declining stem	Meaning	English derivative
acerbus	acerb-	bitter	acerbic
acetum	acet-	vinegar	acetic
aedificium	aedifici-	building	edifice
alacer	alacr-	quick	alacrity
album	alb-	white	album
alius	ali-	other	alien
anima	anim-	soul, life	animate
annus	ann-	year	annual
aqua	aqu-	water	aquamarine aquatic
audax	audac-	brave, bold	audacious
auris	aur-	ear	aural
avis	avi-	bird	avian aviary
bellum	bell-	war	bellicose belligerence
bonus – melior – optimus	bon- – melior- – optim-	good – better – best	bonus ameliorate optimum



# German Influence (and more Latin!)

- Romans withdraw from Britain in late 4<sup>th</sup> century
- Germanic tribes vs. Romans in mainland Europe
  - Jutes
  - Angles
  - Saxons
  - Franks
- Latin-influenced German languages



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Germanic presence in post-Roman Europe, c. 6th century C.E.



# Evidence of Germanic Influence

English: *bring/brought/brought*

Dutch: *brengen/bracht/gebracht*

Norwegian *bringe/brakte/brakt*

English: *eat/ate/eaten*

Dutch: *eten/at/gegeten*

Norwegian: *ete/åt/ett*



# French Influence



William the Conqueror invades England in 1066



# French Influence



Norman occupation for 300 years



# French Aristocratic Influence

House vs. *mansion*

Get vs. *acquire*

Move vs. *maneuver*

Mistake vs. *faux pas*

Love vs. *adore*



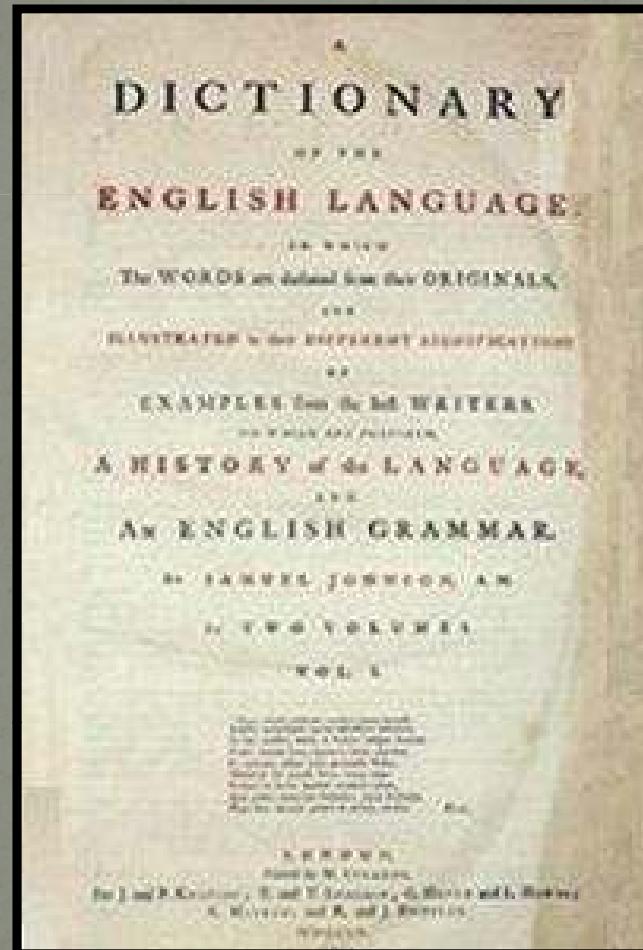
# London Standard



William Caxton (1429): Introduced printing press into England, 1478



# London Standard



Samuel Johnson (1755): Wrote dictionary based on English authors' usage



# Discussion Question

What are some differences between the histories of the English and Chinese languages? How do you think these differences have affected the cultural development of China and the West?