Hey everyone, it's Ellian. Arthuriana is pretty cool I guess but not very accessible and it's like...an acquired taste to read medieval literature if you're not used to it. Here's the rundown on everything. If you want the PDF of any of the texts, I have a few of them and can send them to you <33 please just DM me for it!!! The sheet is broken down into [1] Characters and [2] Texts so scroll at your own leisure. :pleading_face:

So far I've only just uploaded this right now for people to access it for Arthurianum Zine, but I WILL be updating it <33 Especially the text section!!

Characters

Vortigern

• I'm not going to lie, Vortigern doesn't need to be on here.

Hengist

• Hengist also isn't that important but he's here now asiofidaso.

Ambrosius Aurelius

- RIP king why did you have to die. :pensive face::fist:
- Uther's brother and king.

Uther Pendragon

- Fuck Uther.
- Ok, I got that out of my system, let's go gays, let's get into this.
- Uther is Ambrsoius Aurelius's brother and only got the throne because he died (rip).
- Committed war crimes with Merlin in Ireland
 - That's the tale of how the Stongehenge came to be in the UK. God I wish I was lying.
 - This is from the Vulgate if I remember correctly and they were "stones of power", so that means, of course, naturally, Uther had to engage in war crimes against the Irish (it's...bad is to put it mildly) and Merlin used his magic power to levitate it. I hate arthuriana.
- Uther like. God. I hate this. He. He basically falls in lust with Ygraine and he.....to Merlin......to use......magic......to turn himself INTO Gorlois.
 - So. What happens is that Gorlois finds out Uther has been a creep towards his wife and he's rightfully upset because what the fuck, right?
 - o Gorlois is Uther's vassal.....and so Uther declares war on Gorlois......I hate men.

- Anyways Uther kills Gorlois and makes his way over to Tintagel where Ygraine is and......god. Merlin and this other dude are also under a spell to look like......Gorlois's guards to fool Ygraine.
- Ygraine is just happy to see her husband):
- Anyways. Ygraine becomes his queen. Uther eat glass challenge.
- There's technically a prophecy of a great dragon in the sky but I'm not getting into that. It makes me too angry. If you want to know more you can DM me but I'm like oaisjfdoasjfaskomasjiofjasof.

Merlin

- Listen, if you follow me, chances are you're also into BBC Merlin like I am. But like. BBC Merlin and like. Uh. Merlin of the Arthurian legends? Night and day, dude. BBC Merlin is just some twink, legend!Merlin is a colossal dickbag.
- Actually the antichrist. No, I'm not joking, let me explain.
- This is all from the Vulgate Cycle (Suite du Merlin)
 - He's the son of an incubus. Yes. You heard that right.
 - He came out of the womb being able to talk which freaked the fuck out of everyone.
 - He's ACTUALLY the antichrist and his powers are a result of this.
 - His mother was put on trial???????? And Merlin like. Testified FOR his mother?
 And some king was like..Oh. shit. You CONTROL your own destiny, Merlin, don't be evil.
- Anyways. You can argue that Merlin is evil but whatever.
- God. In the Vulgate Cycle, he's being a creep to Viviane who is kind of his apprentice? But Merlin like. Wants to sleep with her????? Viviane's like 15?????????
 - Viviane basically tricks him and she grows more powerful than him and then she traps him in stone or a tree (kinda depends on the text you're reading) like <333 thank you Viviane...
- Rancid.

Gorlois du Bois

- Ugh, perfect husband, perfect man. Love him. RIP.
- God so in the Vulgate...
 - Outher like......sends gifts and stuff to Ygraine and Ygraine turns it down because she's HAPPILY married. Then at a feast Uther sends her a cup and she turns it down but then Uther gives every other lady a gift so Ygraine CAN'T turn it down, he's the KING, and Gorlois is like (: you should take the gift!
 - And so Ygraine DOES and then she like...tells Gorlois everything and he's HORRIFIED by this.

- So, you can't like. LEAVE court without the king's permission and Gorlois's is like... "Oh, fuck that" about it all, leaves Uther's kingdom and rides off and prepares for war because he KNOWS Uther will come after him for [1] breaking the rules of court [2] for "taking" Ygraine away without his permission
- God he...just loves Ygraine so much I..... [crying cat meme compilation]

Ygraine du Bois

- None of this should have happened to her.
- Deserves to beat Uther and Merlin with a bat. I think we can all agree with this.
- God. I forgot what text this was in. Vulgate maybe? Morte d'Arthur? Where......God. I fucking hate writing this. But, Ygraine DOESN'T KNOW who the father of her child (Arthur) is, and she's TERRIFIED to tell Uther because she KNOWS Gorlois was dead when "Gorlois" came to her, but she doesn't KNOW it's Uther.
 - And Uther is like (:
 - And Ygraine TELLS him and he's like oh haha! Thank you for telling me the truth! That was me! Now you have nothing to fear!
 - 0):
- Uther also doesn't tell Ygraine that he made a pact with Merlin and that Merlin is going to give Arthur away to Sir Ector to raise like SIR? HAVEN'T YOU TAKEN ENOUGH FROM YGRAINE? WHY ARE YOU TAKING HER SON FROM HER???????

Arthur Pendragon

- Genuinely, and I say this in the nicest way possible, has the personality of soggy, white bread left out in the rain.
- Despite being named "arthuriana", dude is like, not the central character in like. A good 99% of these texts.
- I'm not going to get into like...the historical accuracy of Arthur as a real person (if you're interested, please just shoot me a DM, it'll be fun! hopefully!! ioasjdfoas)
- So, the thing about Arthur is that in the earlier texts he's already known as Uther's son
 and he just becomes king, but the most famous texts extrapolate on this idea that he was
 raised by Sir Ector as brother to Kay.
- Arthur is raised to be Kay's squire and is...more of a follower than anything and adores Kay, it's so cute. Love them.
 - Anyways, there's the sword in the stone and everyone is trying to pull it out right? And if I remember correctly there may be a tournament going on? Whatever, anyways the important thing is that Kay forgets his sword and he's like "oh shit everyone is going to make fun of me for forgetting my sword):" and Arthur's like !!! "I'll run back and get it for you!!!!"

- The thing is that Arthur stumbles upon Excalibur and he doesn't fucking know what it is, he's just too lazy to run all the way home to get Kay's sword so he pulls it out and he's like (: hopefully Kay is blind enough that he doesn't realize this isn't his!
- Kay is like. Holy Fuck. What the FUCK. And he turns to Ector and is like... "Dad. I'm the One True King." And Ector is like. "Stop fucking lying." And then Kay is like): "Yeah, Arthur pulled the sword out." and then they're both like.....OH HOLY SHIT?????? ARTHUR IS THE SON OF UTHER??
- And so they start bowing to Arthur and Arthur is like.............PLEASE stand up, I don't want to see this): I don't want to have my father and my brother begging for a place for themselves in the castle...and that's how Kay becomes Seneschal. aiosjdfoasi
- The thing about Arthur is that due to his upbringing, he's supposed to be this king that is magnanimous and LISTENS to his people and actually cares about them. The thing is like...he doesn't factor as a major character in most texts so it's like ??? Who cares about Arthur???
- Anyways, read Culhwch and Olwen (I have the pdf!!), Arthur ACTUALLY plays a prominent role in it and it's fun and cute.
- Some texts make a difference between Arthur's messiac myth and him just like, straight up dying.
- Excalibur/Caliburn is his sword. Clarent is his ceremonial sword -- technically, you can't REALLY fight with this. It's ornamental and more symbolic than anything.
- Likes being told stories before dinner and if it's not interesting, no food. Guillotine WHEN.

Guinevere

- A 7-BEAN LAYER DIP OF A WOMAN WHO CANNOT BE FULLY EXPLAINED OR CATEGORIZED HERE BECAUSE IT WOULD DO HER A GREAT DISSERVICE
- ARGUABLY THE MOST INTERESTING MULTI FACETED CHARACTER??
- God...like. Arthur sees Guinevere and he's like "I'm gonna marry her (:" and Merlin is like...... "uhhhhhhhhh you shouldn't" and Arthur's like "I'm gonna marry her (:".
- Anyways there's.....god. Where do I even begin with her.
- May Queen!!
- She's...
- Ok so, there's a tendency to either put Guinevere into 2 camps: [1] scheming evil lady whose main goal is to bring about the end of Camelot or [2] innocent, starry-eyed spring goddess a la Persephone who can do no wrong. Both are.....akin to a moldy sweet potato in my eyes, and y'all know how much I like sweet potatoes.

- Guinevere is either also misconstrued as like, [1] devoted to Arthur or [2] wildly in love with Lancelot, which also I'm like......can we have some nuance in this house? PLEASE?
- Lancelot often comes to the rescue or aid of Guinevere who is put on trial A LOT.
 - Can take this either way of, Arthur KNOWING of his wife's infidelity and punishing her OR the fact that Arthur may or may not know and actually may or may not care, but HAS to go through these actions simply due to the clamor it is bringing WITHIN the court and that even as king, he is bound by what his people want -- in this case, Guinevere's shame.
- Guinevere and mantel story is.....misogynistic at its core I know that but also. It's pretty enjoyable but also like, think critically yknow? Expand those braincells.
- OH SO. There's two divulging schools of thought here in that Guinevere is either an active or a passive participant in Camelot's fall.
 - I think it was the Bruts that Guinevere STEALS Clarent and gives it over to Mordred.
 - Others like in Morte, Guinevere shuts herself up in the Tower of London (nevermind it didn't exist back then) with some knights that are faithful to her and like......fights back against Mordred which is actually pretty Girl Boss of her unironically.
 - Others, she's an ACTIVE ACTIVE participant, giving aid and supplies and sitting beside Mordred on the throne.
 - Really depends on what text you read to be honest.
 - O It does kind of all boil down to the fact that Mordred and Agravaine was like...adamant in showing Arthur that Guinevere and Lancelot's tryst is a THING and so Arthur puts Guinevere on trial and Lancelot goes to rescue her and then he just......kind of kills a lot of really important knights (cough Gawain's brothers cough)/
- In Morte and what is continued on in Tennyson, Guinevere after the fall of Camelot turns to the nunnery and laments her part in this play but also, when Lancelot comes to her, she turns him away and is cold and furious at him even daring to darken her door once more.

Morgan le Fay

- Icon.
- She's cool.
- Arthur's sister but she's Ygraine and Gorlois's daughter.
- Listen, there's a lot about her but I can't think of anything right now aosijdfoasjidfas.

Morgause

- Arthur's sister.
- She sure exists!

Viviane / Lady of the Lake

- Best mom ever.
- Goes to all of Lancelot's soccer games <33

Kay

- Foster brother to Arthur.
- God, I fucking love Kay. Icon.
- The only one who can do math in Camelot.
- LOYAL to Arthur.
- Has fire powers which is pretty sweet.
- In Knight of the Cart, he tried to rescue Guinevere from Meleagant because he kidnapped her. Anyways, Kay's hand is bloody and he's sleeping by Guinevere and Lancelot like busts his hands OPENING the steel bars of Guinevere's window. Meleagant then is like "YOU'RE SLEEPING WITH ARTHUR'S BROTHER?" and Kay is like "Imaooooooo stop I'm gay". Anyways, Lancelot then fights on Kay's behalf that Kay did not sleep with Guinevere against Meleagant
 - The thing is that there's this big theme of......God is on the side if you're "right" and if you're right, then by God, you WILL win.
 - So Lancelot by virtue of saying Kay did NOT sleep with Guinevere won because he wasn't TECHNICALLY lying. But he was. But he wasn't. But he was--<3
- Survives Camlann which is like. You know what, he deserves it. Kay's been through so much shit.
- If you're into Kay, just read the Welsh texts.

Bedivere

- Canonically the most handsome. So take of that what you will.
- Loyal to Arthur.
- Also survives Camlann, Kay and Bedivere Vegas "We Survived the End of the World Wedding" when!!!
- Arthur was like "bro PLEASE can you toss excalibur into the lake" and Bedivere like
 pulled a Peter (god I'm sorry for the Catholicism) and lied to Arthur three times that he
 DID toss Excalibur in the lake but he really didn't because Excalibur's a really fucking
 sweet sword.

Lancelot du Lac

- Ugh, god. Where to start.
- He's sadly, French. I mean, not really "French" because France didn't exist back then, but you know what I mean.
- Raised in a lake ioasjfodisajoasa.
- Ok, he just kind of......cries a lot and is bad at words and clumsy with them, a real actions kind of man. If he was a modern day character, he'd cry type.
- So for knights, your armor, your sword, your shield, and your colors WOULD tell people who you are.
 - The Knightly Body babey!!
 - Anyways, Lancelot is ALL about disguises, all about switching out his armor with other people, and surprising them JUST by his skill level because WHO IS this mysterious knight???
- In some texts, he has a scar on his cheek which shows his bravery in that he didn't fight or joust with like, a helmet on. If you are going bicycling or on your motorcycle, don't pull a Lancelot, wear your helmet. aosijdfoas
- Never wore any one's favour!!
 - Not even Guinevere's
 - So when Lancelot wears...Elaine of Shalott's (RIGHT?? Not Corbenic??) favor it's like...WHAT THE FUCK? But also he kind of wore her favour so that people WOULDN'T think it was him
- His origin story is Chretien de Troyes's Lancelot: Knight of the Cart
 - Lancelot's sin is that he sits IN the cart which like...you CAN'T do that. And
 everyone somehow KNOWS about this and mocks him, even Guinevere who he's
 going to go RESCUE hears about this and is like "bro, I don't WANT to be
 rescued by you, you sat in the Cart" asodjfsaiofdjoas.
 - There's this scene where Lancelot is fighting someone and anyways Guinevere tells him to stop and he just.....stops?? And this knight is just like bludgeoning him and it's like...god...
 - The thing here is that Lancelot and Guinevere are supposed to uphold Courtly Love while also kind of destroying Courtly Love ioasjfoasjfa
 - Lancelot holds Guinevere HIGHER than anything else, even God, even himself, even his own king, so it's.....punishable..
- Has scars on his arms from the Sword Bridge...it's. Just. a bridge made out of swords...dude took off his gauntlets and his shoes to cross it, please don't ask me why.
- Goes through horses like water like DUDE, they don't grow on trees!!!!!!!!!
- Oh, I forgot, he loses language and goes batshit in the woods for a bit because Guinevere turned him down after she found out about his thing with Elaine of Corbenic but Elaine of Corbenic raped him but Guinevere doesn't KNOW that and it's......it's a mess, it's genuinely awful and I hate reading it.

- Is unable to see the Holy Grail due to the fact that he's sleeping with Guinevere
 - Like the Grail PASSES by him multiple times and Lancelot is visibly distraught that he cannot see it nor can he ever achieve it.
 - God threw fireballs at him for his crimes??
- Lancelot's sword is Secace!! But there's also the red hilt sword and there's a prophecy attached to it that Lancelot will kill the person he loves the most with it
 - Lancelot takes it to mean Guinevere and you can tell JUST by how he interacts
 with her and it gives another level as to why he's just SO protective and obsessive
 over her safety
 - Actually, he kills Gawain with it! It's):
 - Fuck the red hilt sword aiofdjasioj
- Survives Camlann, goes to Guinevere at the end, she turns him away, and he is left to wander OR he becomes an abbot.

Gawain of Orkney

- God you know. You know he's my boy.
- SUN METAPHOR!!!
 - He's just. Invincible under the noon sun like WHAT??
- The oldest but also a manlet.
- Really it's called arthuriana, but a bunch of it is just about Gawain dodndkskesk.
- Arguably has gotten around the most. Like, if anyone is going to sleep with anyone in Arthuriana, it's with Gawain. alsifoasidjfaso.
 - I don't remember if his or Lancelot's kill count is higher?? They both go on rampages a lot.
- He and Lancelot are close can recognize Lancelot when he's wearing a different armor.
- Bi icon.
- Eats fruit to calm down his temperament. I wish I was kidding.
- Anyways, king of Orkney and Lothian babeyyyyyyyyy!
- Can't see the Grail, isn't that hung up over it OIJOIFDDSJDOFIJAS.
- Gawain's sword is Galatine which is the sister sword to Excalibur :3c
- So the thing is, is that......when Lancelot rescues Guinevere, Lancelot kills Gawain's brothers Gaheris and Gareth and that's uhhhhhhh oh my god. That's the beginning of the end for Gawain.
 - The thing is, by doing this Lancelot has split up the Round Table into those who align with Lancelot in Joyous Guard and those with Arthur.
 - Arthur VISIBLY laments Lancelot and not so much Guinevere which is. Wow. Ok.

- Gawain doesn't believe his brothers are dead at first and has to be dragged to the dungeon to keep himself from harming others and himself): Doesn't believe that Lancelot would betray him like this AND that Gaheris and Gareth are dead until he sees their bodies.
 - The thing is Lancelot didn't KNOW those knights were Gareth and Gaheris because they were wearing different armor): Although in some texts, it's just that in the frenzy, Lancelot didn't REALIZE.
- Arthur DOESN'T want to continue this fight against Lancelot but Gawain does.
 Gawain pushes him and insists and begs him.
- Gawain basically goes mad for revenge but......the root of it is love. Love and despair for his younger brothers and Gawain HAS to avenge them, Gawain WANTS to avenge them, Gawain WILL avenge them..): It makes me cry...
- Uh so. Gawain basically pulls an Achilles at the gates of Troy taunting Hector but he's taunting Lancelot to come out and fight him.
- The thing is......Lancelot is visibly shaken up by Gawain's fall from grace and seeing that he is not in his right mind, refuses to actually fight Gawain properly which ENRAGES Gawain because this traitor refusing to HONOR Gawain in a fight. Gawain's kind of sloppy from exhaustion and grief and bloodlust and Lancelot parries until......god. With the red hilt sword, Lancelot drives a blow to Gawain's head
- Died in May babeyyy!!
 - Another link to Guinevere as the May Queen and the Mayday Massacre with Mordred
- In Morte, Gawain dies to a blow to the head by Lancelot and he's in agony for days afterward and he pens a letter to Lancelot begging for his forgiveness and for Lancelot to come and beat up Mordred.
- In the Alliterative, Gawain dies due to Mordred and Mordred full on fucking WEEPS and sobs over it and it's like): oh my goddddd with Mordred declaring that there's no greater knight than Gawain.
- Visits Arthur as a ghost to warn him about Camlann.

Agravaine of Orkney

- Ok listen. I love him but also he's a scheming bastard aisjfdoasijfas
- But not like, funny bastardman, more like "I am sulking and I am dreaming of your demise". I love Agravaine.
- Teams up with Mordred to show Arthur of Lancelot and Guinevere.
 - Again like. There's debate over whether or not the entirety of Court WAS aware
 of it and whether or not Arthur was aware of it, willfully ignorant, or deluding
 himself into what is occurring beneath his nose ISN'T happening.

• In some texts he dies, in others he doesn't.

Gaheris of Orkney

- Yeah...Lancelot kills him.
- KILLS HIS MOM? JUST SCROLL DOWN TO LAMORAK ABOUT THIS ONE.

Gareth of Orkney

- Babey..
- The only one of Gawain's brothers who actually likes Lancelot but Lancelot kills him.

Mordred of Orkney

- Was born in May to Morgause and.....Arthur. BUT, neither of them knew they were related.
- Merlin tells Arthur that the one to usurp him will be born in May so Arthur orders a mass killing of all babies born in May to like.....be on boats and set off to sea where they either starve or drown. It's. Not. Yeah.....it's not great.
- Anyways, uh. Mordred survives that! The youngest of his siblings.
- The thing is Mordred rarely plays a role until the very end when Arthur is off either [1] fighting Lucius or fighting Lancelot and that's when Mordred makes his move of usurping Arthur and then inviting..........[deep sigh] the Saxons back into the country to fight against Arthur.
- Anyways, in most texts Mordred...once he realizes what he has done, DOES cry over this
 and shows remorse but he's WAY too deep.
 - Stabs Arthur and Arthur stabs him back and like. That's how they both die? It's):

Tristan and Iseult/Ysolde/Isolde

- I'm putting them together because I love them <33 do NOT separate them.
- Listen, I give Tristan so much shit, but who doesn't LOVE Tristan. Tristan is so, so good.
- God. Canonically......fucked to survive. Hate that. I'm so sorry you have to read that. But he did.
- Tristan is like, KNOWN for his music and falconry
- Isolde is just a genuine bad-ass.
- I love them. They're so smart like while Guinevere and Lancelot in most texts get away with stuff by the skin of their necks but Tristan and Isolde like...they SEE Mark creeping on them and just in the fly of the moment, come up with a plan to trick Mark?? God. Iconic. I love them. Bisexual power couple.
- Supposed to mirror Lancelot and Guinevere but I think most people like Tristan and Isolde better? aoidfjoasijda

- The thing is, Tristan went over to Ireland to secure Isolde's passage over and to deliver her safely to King Mark, BUT from here it kinda branches off into the fact that Tristan and Isolde WERE aware of the love potion or they weren't.
- They live in the forest together for a bit and it's hmmmm. It's something!
- Anyways, after the love potions wears off, the story also has different ways it ends just depending on the text
 - o [1] Mark legit just straight up kills Tristan while he's harping
 - [2] Isolde is with Mark once more, Tristan marries Isolde of the White Hands.
 Tristan grows depressed, OG Isolde comes to him on a ship, Isolde WH lies and says she's not on the ship, Tristan kills himself and then OG Isolde does so as well over his body.

King Mark

- Tristan's uncle and husband to Isolde
- He's kind of dumb.

Isolde of the White Hands

- Tristan only marries her because she has the same name as OG Isolde.
- She's kinda the reason he dies??? OG Isolde is coming by a ship and Tristan is like, PLEASE tell me if the ship has white or black sails. Isolde WH lies and says that the sails are black and Tristan uh, kills himself, because black sails means that OG Isolde isn't on it and so. Uh. You know. It's like that one Greek myth.

Bors

- Related to Lancelot.
- He's the babysitter of the Grail Quest kids (Galahad and Percival)
- Actually survives and returns back to Camelot but he kind of wishes he didn't.

Galahad

- Lancelot's son and raised in a nunnery.
- He pulls a sword out of a river? Good for him.
- Anyways, his deal is that he sits in the Siege Perilous, which is like a seat at the Round Table where if you sit in it, you WILL die. But Galahad doesn't (: Yay!
- So everyone is like HOLY FUCK? THIS 15 YR OLD??
- Actually. Think of Galahad like a shounen manga protagonist. But not the bubbly one, the prodigy.
- Galahad is that person who fucks up the test curve for everyone by getting an ACTUAL
 A.
 - You know what I mean

- Anyways, Galahad usurps Lancelot and it's A T HING.
 - o Guinevere is thrown off by him because he's like.....Lancelot's son.
- Galahad sees the Grail when it appears before them in Court and like every other knight, goes on a journey to bring the Grail back to Camelot
 - So basically God was like "LMAO YALL ARE ALL SINNERS AND DON'T DESERVE THE GRAIL ANYMORE" and took it away from England
- Galahad and Lancelot meet up on their journey and they have some time to themselves on a boat and they talk a lot and they have their father-son bonding moments and they tell each other that they love each other and :waacat: [crying cat compilation]
- There's so much weird stuff on the Holy Grail part and like, Joseph of Arimathea is there and is like "Galahad you are my descendant" oaisjdfosaji
- Anyways, Galahad sees the Grail and then is like "oh shit, I'm going to ascend into Heaven now" and he DOES??????????????????

Percival

- BABY BOY, BABY...
- In the shounen manga, he's the bubbly main character asoidjoas.
- God. So. There's the Fisher King who is like......has a dick injury and I'm not going to get into it, you can look it up. Anyways, Percival minds his own business because he's polite and kind and he's not going to ASK about that to the Fisher King (but also Percival sees the Grail multiple times but he ALSO doesn't ASK about that because that's rude and also he doesn't realize it's the Grail), and the Fisher King is like "dude why didn't you ask, you were so close to the Grail, anyways, this is your sin so you have to journey to try and find it". It's so dumb. Percival was RIGHT. #fisherkingisoverparty.
- Anyways Percival ends up in the Final Three with Bors and Galahad. After Galahad dies, Percival is like (: hmm, I'm going to stay here and become an abbot and Bors is like. For FUCKS sake and returns home.

Yvain

- DUDE HAS A LION
- Ok. I'm getting too ahead of myself...
- Please read Yvain: Knight of the Lion, it's so much fun.
- So Yvain like is off trying to avenge his cousin but he stumbles upon this magical making stone in the forest and kills this knight who ends up being Laudine's husband and he falls in love with her.
- So all of the knights of this land want to kill whoever killed their lord and Luned,
 Laudine's maid, decides to help Yvain out. Luned (ICON I LOVE U LUNED, I'LL GO
 BACK LATER AND MAKE A BIT FOR HER IN THE FUTURE <333) has a ring that
 can make you turn invisible (LOTR WISHES..)

- Anyways, Yvain eventually wins out and wins Laudine's heart and they're married and it's great and then Gawain rolls up and Gawain's like "bro!!!!!!!!! Let's go adventuring!!! ALSO, you have to keep up your duties in Arthur's court!!!!!!!!"
- So Yvain leaves but Laudine is like...if you forget about me and don't return in a year we're no longer married.
 - Yvain's having so much fun with the boys he FORGETS...
 - And then oh my GOD Laudine's maid COMES TO KING ARTHUR'S COURT AND LIKE. OF COURSE PAYS TRIBUTE TO ARTHUR AND VICIOUSLY CALLS YVAIN OUT FOR NOT CARING ABOUT HIS WIFE AND DEMANDS THAT HE RETURNS LAUDINE'S FAVOR MEANING THAT THEY'RE DONE FOR GOOD AND YVAIN GOES MAD AND LOSES LANGUAGE AND LIKE ESCAPES TO THE WOODS FOR A BIT.
- So like......Yvain eventually with the help of a noblewoman is cured and is on a journey to regain his honor as an unknown knight but he rescues this lion who is getting its ass beaten by a snake or a dragon and the lion is like "ok I'll follow you now" like ?????
 - At one point Yvain falls and passes out and the lion thinks Yvain DIED and tries to run itself through with Yvain's sword??????????????????
- So Yvain's moniker is now the Knight of the Lion and he hears that Luned is to be burnt at the stake so he rushes back to rescue her of course (by now people KNOW OF the knight of the lion) and stumbles upon Gawain and they battle and they're like.....OH MY GOD? IT'S YOU? MY FRIEND?
- So anyways, Yvain saves Luned and Luned helps him once more win over Laudine.
- And Laudine is like HOLY FUCK? MY EX HUSBAND?
- Anyways, they make up and they're happily married again ofdijfaoias.

Lamorak

- Fucked the Orkney brothers' mom.
- Didn't end well.
- Gaheris ended up beheading Morgause because he caught them fucking but he escapes.
- Lamorak ends up coming to Court and Arthur tries to like help but Lamorak rejects it.
- Anyways, he gets jumped by Gawain, Gaheris, Agravaine, and Mordred and Mordred kills him aoijdfoasjdfas.

Dinadan

- Hdofisajdfsa I forgot about him which is VERY funny and kind of in character acijfaso.
- He's sarcastic and witty and he doesn't care for Courtly Love.
- Cares a LOT about Lancelot and Tristan.
- Knows how to play instruments!!!!
- He's kind of like.....second best but he's first best in my heart...

• Dies in Lancelot's arms. God.......

Meleagaunt

- He's. He's.....he's kind of pathetic.
- Kidnaps Guinevere.
- Lancelot kills him and his father and sister are like "thank GOD you killed that asshole".
- You know that tweet like "what if the dad left because the baby has rancid vibes?" but the baby is Meleagant and he DOES have rancid vibes.

Sangremore

I don't remember much about him except that his name always makes me laugh.

Galehaut

- Uh genuinely, please go visit Valentine @lanzelet, dude is a Galehaut enthusiast.
- He's a giant which is hot.
- Also a king. Which is hot if you like the monarchy I guess.
- TURNS AN ARMY AROUND BECAUSE HE WANTS TO SLEEP IN THE SAME BED AS LANCELOT???
- SWEARS FEALTY AND LOYALTY TO LANCELOT ALSO THERE'S THIS CHURCH SCENE AND IT'S...IT'S A LOT, MY FELLOW GAYS.
 - Lancelot's an idiot so he doesn't really get it?????
- He dies and Lancelot weeps at his grave and like......god. I......oh my god.

Bertilak/The Green Knight

- He's green (da ba dee da ba da)
- I think everyone knows about Bertilak sofdijsaodjas.
- Axe.
- INTERRUPTS Christmas dinner which is kind of rude, but anyways, it's chill because Arthur's like "you MUST tell me a story or we can't eat" because all monarchs are bastards. Anyways, the Green Knight interrupts and says whoever beheads him, he will return the favor next year. And no one wants to step up to that because what the fuck, right? So, Gawain does to PROVE himself and he beheads the Green Knight and the Green Knight picks up his head and is like (: SEE YOU IN A YEAR AND A DAY, DON'T TRY TO WEASEL YOUR WAY OUT OF THIS I'LL HUNT YOU DOWN
- So Gawain goes off adventuring to like hone his skill or whatever and he comes across
 Bertilak and his wife who tells him that whatever his wife does TO Gawain, Gawain must
 do to Bertilak in return.
- Gets with Gawain. His wife does too. Asiopfjosa

- Anyways, so the one thing Gawain DOESN'T tell Bertilak is the Lady gifted Gawain the Green Belt which will make him invincible.
- So Gawain and the Green Knight face off and Gawain flinches and the Green Knight
 berates him for it, Gawain flinches again, and the Green Knight finally like taps the axe
 against Gawain's neck and then laughs and says that he is in fact Bertilak and this entire
 ploy was by Morgan le Fay who wanted to scare Guinevere.
- Gawain is ashamed of himself and confesses that he has the Green Belt, and Bertilak is like, no dude, you didn't do anything wrong at all.
- Anyways so Gawain returns to court and all the knights wear green belts/sashes to represent being truthful and honest? aoidfjsoaid

Dame Ragnelle

- ALSO gets with Gawain.
- Loathy lady trope
 - Yes, Shrek counts as the loathy lady trope too.

Elaine, Lady of Shalott

- Queen, you did nothing wrong, I love you.
- Lancelot and her are WLW/MLM solidarity <333
 - Lancelot wears her favour!!!!!!!!!
- She just......was really into Lancelot and Lancelot was not about that so she like......pulled an Ophelia.):
- If I remember correctly, Elaine's brother ends up being Lancelot's squire because he ALSO is really, really into Lancelot too and loves him the way his sister loves Lancelot.

Elaine, Lady of Corbenic

- Ugh.
- Galahad's mom but she like. God. Fuck. I hate this. She......she used magic or had a potion or whatever to turn herself into Guinevere's likeness......and basically tricks Lancelot into having sex with her. It mirrors what Uther did to Ygraine.
- Eat glass challenge.
- Please if you stan Elaine of Corbenic just unfollow me (and people do it's..baffling).

Ysabele

- She's in the Dutch text.
- A BADASS.
- Commits murder.
- Gets with Gawains dofijsoa.
- I haven't read the Dutch this is just through osmosis of Rey, Val, and Lou.

Lucius

- Emperor of the Roman Empire.
- He's. Genuinely awful but I like him asojdfosa.
- Basically came knocking on Arthur's door like "Hey (: you have to (: pay tribute (: to the Roman Empire (: so I expect (: your stuff in 3-5 business months (: or else (: we will sack you (:
 - Arthur was like. Oh my god WHO the fuck are you? And decided to fight him and won. So in some texts Arthur became emperor iaosjdoasikmfWrjigaeoij but he had to return because of Mordred's Shenanigans.
 - In other texts, instead of fighting Lucius, it's the fight against Lancelot. Sometimes, it's both! It just kinda depends again on what you're reading.

Priamus

- Dude's the king of Egypt and he's on Lucius's side against Arthur, and he...Gawain bests him in a fight and Priamus is like "sir knight, WHO are you" and Gawain's just like "I'm not gonna tell you my name, I am Arthur's knight" and so Priamus legit just decides to drop Lucius and become a knight of the round table because of Gawain and dude's. He's the prince of Egypt??
- Gay icon
- Bro shows up in like. 3 texts max. King shit.

Gringolet

- Gawain's horse.
- Killed a dragon in one of the Dutch texts.
- Jumped off a hundred foot cliff and survived because he's Gringolet.
- His ankles are strong as SHIT.
- Lou's url is Gringolet and I thought that his url was a reference to non-latine Lancelot because I'm dumb. This is just an Ellian fact.
- Homophobic aosifoasijfas (if y'all know, you know)

The Questing Beast

- Technically a giraffe?
- I'm not going to get into it but Pellinore and his family are about it aoidfjoasif

Renard

Pissfox. That is all.

Roges

- Not a pissfox, just a fox.
- Angel. Baby boy...

Isengrim

• Bark snarl growl hiss (Valentine this is for you king :pensive::fist:)

Texts

Sir Gawain and the Green Knight (PDF available)

- If you're going to start reading arthuriana, start with this one. It's fun, it's relatively short, and it's enjoyable!
- It's about Gawain's First Big Quest
- The knight IS green.. osiajfdosiaj

Layamon's Brut and Wace's Brut (PDF available)

- LISTEN I REALLY LIKE THESE.
- Anyways, Arthur just dies here and he's like dead dead.
- They're very short and I think a good feel for what arthuriana is about.

Lanval (PDF available)

- A poem by the ICONIC Marie de Champagne
- So...Lanval is aoisfdjosajfdaso this poor knight and he has no money and it's kind of breaking the lord/vassal relationship because the lord SHOULD give his vassal money.
- Anyways, Lanval comes across the Fairy Queen who tells him that she'll be his lover and sugar mommy as long as he doesn't tell anyone about her or else he will lose everything.
- And now everyone's like OH MY GOD LANVAL IS LOADED??
- And Guinevre like COMES ON TO HIM, and Lanval turns her down of course, and Guienevere is PISSED, and when she asks who it is who holds his heart and Lanval refuses to answer so she's like "are you gay?" OIFDJSAOFJDASO
- Anyways, Lanval is put on trial for disrespecting Guinevere and the Fairy Queen sends her maids with riches and wealth and all the ladies are very hot (eye am looking respectfully) and people are like LANVAL IS THAT YOUR WIFE??? SHE'S HOTTER THAN GUINEVERE and Lanval's like (: No!
- The Fairy Queen shows up and basically spirits Lanval away soaidjfoiasjfda.
- God. I want to be Lanval.

Culhwch and Olwen (PDF available)

 Culhwch is a relative of Arthur's and he wants to marry Olwen and Arthur plays match maker and helps out.

Mabinogion (PDF available)

• The Welsh texts! Enjoyable! Aoisidfosa

Le Morte d'Arthur (PDF available)

- Oh, Mallory you bitch.
- I think it's kind of boring to read and a bit difficult so please don't start here.

The Alliterative Morte Darthure (I CAN'T FIND THE PDF RN YOU CAN ASK ME FOR IT AND I'LL SHOOT IT TO YOU IN A BIT)

- My personal favorite, it's so sexy. Merlin isn't in here. Priamus is. What more do you need?
- God, like you SHOULD read Morte if you want to, but also the Alliterative is so much nicer aoisidfoasijfdaso.

Stanzaic Morte Darthur (PDF available)

- So intensely sexy.
- I love it.
- Please read it, it's GORGEOUS.

Lancelot: Knight of the Cart (PDF available)

- Chretien de Troyes [sighs tiredly] wrote this.
- Don't let this be the first thing you read, you'll hate it.

Yvain: Knight of the Lion (PDF available)

- Chretien de Troyes ALSO wrote this but this one is way easier to read and digest and understand than KOTC.
- Read this one first asiofdjasiodf.

Vulgate Cycle

- VERY good but also kind of impossible to get your hands on.
- I have SOME parts of the Merlin part of the Vulgate cycle.....somewhere..

Post-Vulgate Cycle

• It sucks

Povest

• It's spicy.

Any of the Dutch Texts

- The Dutch have a thing for Gawain and also get arthuriana.
- THE only valid takes.