

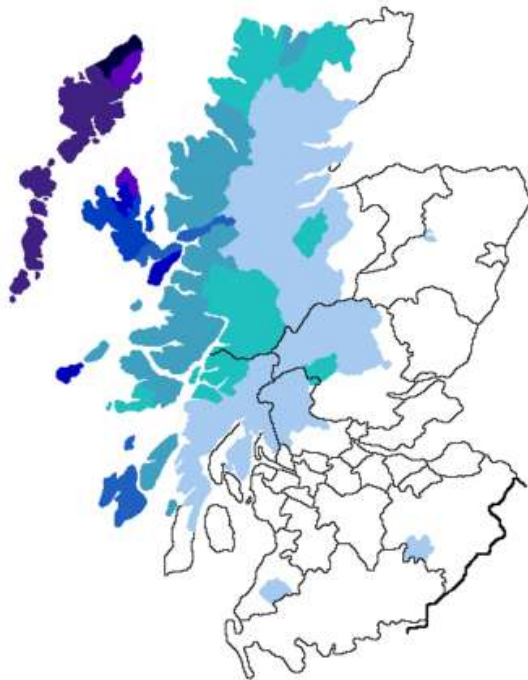
And whan I sawgh he wolde never fine
 To reden on this cursed book al night,
 Al sodeinly thre leves have I plight
 Out of his book right as he redde, and eke
 I with my fist so took him on the cheeke
 That in oure fir he fil bakward adown.
 And up he sterte as dooth a wood seon
 And with his fist he smoot me on the heed
 That in the floor I lay as I were deed.
 And whan he swagh how stille that I lay,
 he was agast, and wolde have fled his way,
 Till atte laste out of my swough I braide:
 "O hastou slain me, false thief?" I saide,
 "And for my land thus hastou mordred me?
 Er I be deed yit wol I kisse thee."

Sample of Chaucer text
 (Middle English)

Table 6.2. Strong masculines and neuters

	masculine	short neuter	long neuter
singular	nominative	stān	scip þing
	accusative	'stone'	'ship' 'thing'
	genitive	stānes	scipes þinges
plural	dative	stāne	scipe þinge
	nominative	stānas	scipu þing
	accusative	stāna	scipa þinga
	genitive	stānum	scipum þingum
	dative		

Some of the suffixes which nouns in
 Old English might have



Geographic Distribution of Gaelic Speakers in Scotland (2001)

Proportion of Scots Gaelic speakers



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