

Etymology Three!

The Dictionary, The Dynamics, and the Stories of Words

12 clock hours!

A two-day seminar in English Etymology

Presented by LEX Author **Gina Cooke**

with ONLINE ETYMOLOGY DICTIONARY Author **Douglas Harper**

Sat-Sun, March 28-29, 2015 ★ 8:30am Registration ★ 9:00am-4:00pm Seminar

The Lifelong Learning Center ★ 210 South Church Road, Bensenville, IL 60106

Sponsored by the **Children's Dyslexia Center of Metropolitan Chicago**

Join us for our third annual Etymology weekend seminar! Study with Douglas Harper and Gina Cooke to understand more about how word stories work, both historically and in the present day. Learn more about entries in The Online Etymology Dictionary, how they're structured, what informs them, and how they change. See what can and cannot be gleaned about word structure from the dictionary's entries. Come experience etymology as a dynamic field, one not only with a past and a present, but also with a future.

Research into literacy outcomes offers clear evidence of the importance of teacher knowledge about the writing system. The Common Core State Standards stress the need for students to engage with words from Latin and Greek, and to draw upon knowledge of prefixes, suffixes, and bases to determine word meaning in reading and writing. Understanding how words work better equips language educators to teach vocabulary, spelling, and comprehension in ways that make sense. Besides improving literacy skills and accuracy, however, studying the writing system scientifically fosters curiosity, critical thinking, and word consciousness.

Etymology is often presented pedagogically as two-dimensional, with discrete historical layers and simple questions with yes-or-no answers. Its study is typically constrained by vocabulary goals or instructional terminology, and its effects are oversimplified or even mistaken in educational materials. The Online Etymology Dictionary, which receives 100,000 page-views per day on average, was not conceived or created with pedagogy in mind, but it is increasingly in use in classrooms, clinics, lessons, and student-led investigations. Learn more about how the dictionary and its entries are structured.

You won't want to miss this opportunity — in the Midwest for the first time — to deepen your understanding of etymology and its effects on present-day English. Gina Cooke is the principal of LEX and a Ph.D. Candidate; Douglas Harper is a historian, author, journalist, and lecturer who is solely responsible for the research and authorship of the Online Etymology Dictionary. Each brings a unique and eye-opening perspective to the study of language and its history.

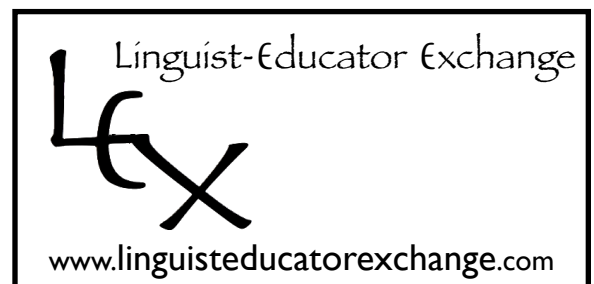
Register online or via email, fax, or mail. Lunches are not provided. Purchase orders are accepted.

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Participants in the Seminar will

- ◆ reencounter the scientific and historical field of etymology
- ◆ understand how historical forms are attested and reconstructed
- ◆ study how the Online Etymology Dictionary is structured
- ◆ identify cognates in the Dictionary and in written words
- ◆ ask questions and investigate specific word histories
- ◆ see worked examples of etymological study
- ◆ deepen their understanding of the effects of Old English, Old Norse, French, Latin, and Greek on present-day English
- ◆ investigate relationships between words, both historically and in the present day
- ◆ learn to discern morphological versus etymological evidence

Daily Schedule

8:30: Registration & Check-In
9:00-12:00: Seminar
12:00-1:00: Lunch
(BYO or go off-site)
1:00-3:00: Seminar
3:00-4:00: Q&A

Materials

- ◆ handouts, including sample lesson plans and activities, will be available to download prior to the seminar
- ◆ additional materials, while not required, will be available for purchase

★ Register online at <http://mkt.com/linguist-educator-exchange/etymology-three> ★

Or fax, mail, or email your registration form by 3/01/15 (Early Bird) to:

Gina Cooke (LEX), P.O. Box 163, Eureka, IL 61530 ★ (760) 454-3639 (fax) ★ ginarama@me.com

Registration will be confirmed via email — Fee increases by \$50 after Early Bird deadline.

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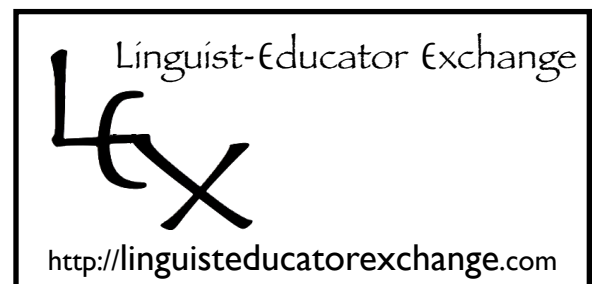
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