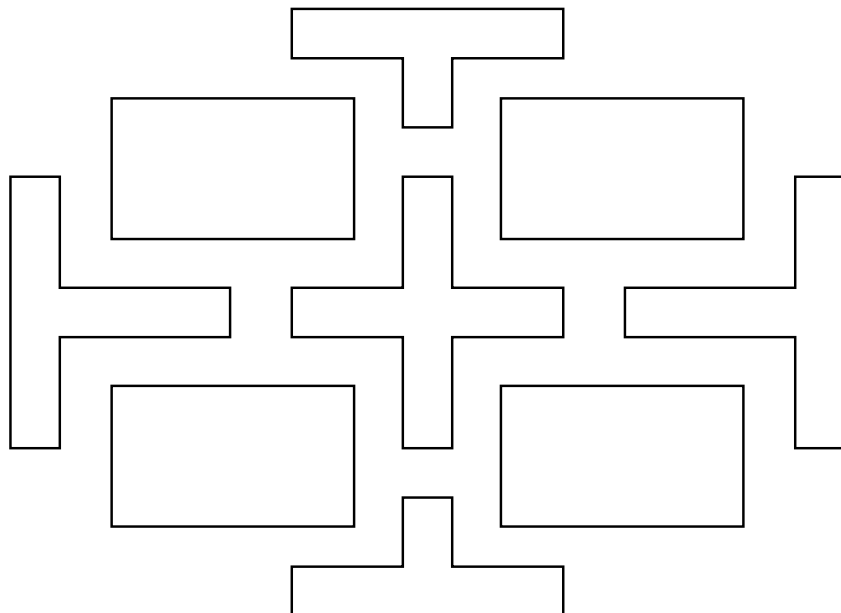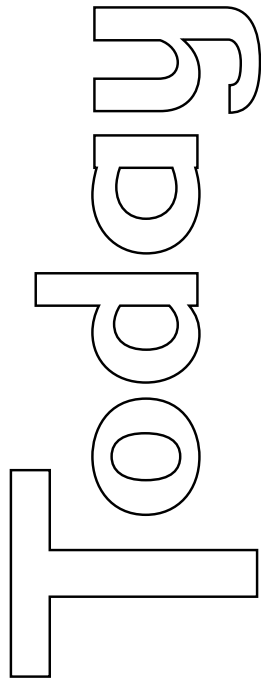# Anglo-Saxon book design

Many books had beautiful designs.

Here is a simple design for the first spread of a book for you to cut out.

Look at pictures of Anglo-Saxon books then add to this design and colour it in.

Write something simple about today.

Today

Anglo-Saxon book design

Age range
- Years 3/4 (SP4/5).
- Years 5/6 (SP6/7).

Resources
Copies of the worksheet, coloured pens and pencils. Secondary sources showing Anglo-Saxon books open.

Using the worksheet
Books were greatly treasured in Anglo-Saxon times and the pages were adorned with complicated designs. The students can get a sense of what it was like to make such books by performing this exercise. If you were to have an Anglo-Saxon day and some of the students were dressed as monks they could work on this activity for part of the time.

Younger students
Some students may simply colour in the design that is already present while others could look at other sources and decide on a more complicated design.

Outcomes
The students can:
- Produce a design for an Anglo-Saxon book.
- Use secondary sources to help them with a project.

Older students
The students can examine a range of sources and work out a design they would like to use on rough paper first then apply it to the worksheet,

Outcomes
The students can:
- Produce a design for an Anglo-Saxon book.
- Use secondary sources to help them with a project.