**Unit 1 – Anglo-Saxon Literature – Name:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Assignment 3 – Kennings in *Beowulf* Class:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

A **kenning** – a poetic device in which a two-word expression is used to replace or represent a noun

* **Allowed the *scop* (storyteller) to use a variety of expressions in this story;**
* **Helped the audience focus and remember the roles of several characters;**
* **Relied heavily on alliteration**

**Examples:**

Sky candle=sun whale road=ocean dwelling place = home sword storm= battle

**Modern Kennings:**

**Can you identify the concepts that these modern kennings represent?**

1. Gas guzzler
2. Rug rat
3. Land line
4. Cancer stick
5. **Couch potato**

**Application:**

**Choose at least 5 concepts below and develop your own kennings.**

Bus driver

Fireman

Television

Cell phone

Music

Facebook

The mall

Love

Pizza

Doctor