

Chapter 7. Appendix 14. Top Frequency Words – decade by decade and complete corpus

Top Frequency Words: common, proper and ethnographic reference					
Common		Proper		Ethnographic Reference	
Decade by Decade	Complete Corpus	Decade by Decade	Complete Corpus	Decade by Decade	Complete Corpus
1. great (274)	1. great (521)	1. Fionn/Finn (523)	1. Fionn/Finn (827)	1. king (213)	1. king (630)
2. men (185)	2. men (389)	2. Cuchulainn/n (183)	2. Oisín/Ossian (387)	2. Fianna (203)	2. Fianna (329)
3. day (127)*	3. day (373)*	3. Oisín/Ossian (168)	3. Cuchulainn/n (362)	3. Ireland (106)	3. Ireland (290)
4. time (118)	4. man (344)	4. Setanta (83)	4. Setanta (235)	4. Ulster (90)	4. Ulster (199)
5. man (71)	5. time (328)	5. Maeve (83)	5. Conor (166)	5. Irish (43)	5. Irish (132)
6. long (65)	6. old (281)	6. Maelduin (71)	6. Ferdia (154)	6. palace (39)	6. palace (128)
7. bull (32)	7. three (265)	7. Ferdia (68)	7. Maeve (115)	7. Goblin (36)	7. country (93)
8. island (28)	8. land (263)	8. Conor (50)	8. Lir (114)	8. queen (26)	8. Macha (92)
9. sea (26)	9. long (253)	9. Deirdre (37)	9. Deirdre (110)	9. curragh (18)	9. magic (86)
10. warrior (26)	10. years (240)	10. Diarmuid (29)	10. Niamh (104)	10. high (14)	10. Tara (82)

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