# Scots Language Award: History and Development

## Video 1: Explain some of the events that influenced Scots and evaluate their impact on the language

### Activity 1: Explain events that influenced Scots

Look up the following words on [dsl.ac.uk](https://dsl.ac.uk/) . State their origins, listing multiple origins if necessary. Add three entries of your own, using Scots words that you know.

If you are a complete beginner, and don’t know any Scots words, you could look at some of the [texts](https://www.scotslanguage.com/learning?section=812) on [www.scotslanguage.com/learning](http://www.scotslanguage.com/learning) to help you.

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| Word | Origin |
| dour |  |
| glen |  |
| semmit |  |
| howk |  |
| ashet |  |
| du |  |
| bairn |  |
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### Activity 2: Explain the impact of events that influenced Scots

Write a few paragraphs (or use bullet points) summarising the different ways that migration has helped Scots evolve. Consider the following:

* What impact would it have if people started to hear new vocabulary from new settlers?
* Would people have influences from different languages, depending on where they lived in Scotland?
* Why would it matter that some legal documents were written in French or Latin?