

Icelandic literature



Aim:

- To introduce various kinds of Icelandic literature to other kids of the same age.
- Where are they originated, in which situation do they happen.
- What affects Icelandic literature; weather, landscape, geographical situation, economy?
- To be able to write a text in English about various subjects and introduce to other people.

Icelandic sagas

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What are the sagas of Icelanders?

- Icelandic sagas are stories that happen in the old days in Iceland and Scandinavia. They are about settlers and settlement. It is also about how people were in the age of settlement.



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Gísla saga

- Gíslasaga mostly takes place in the Westfjords and a small part in Norway and England, it is a drama, romance and thriller story.
- The main characters in the story are Gísli, Þórdís, Þorkell, Þorgrímur Goði (Þórdís's husband) Auður Vésteinsdóttir(Gísli's wife) and her brother Vèsteinn Vésteinsson



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The plot of Gísla saga

- Gísla Súrson moved from Norway around 950 along with his family, including his brother, Þorkell. Their father bought his own land in Dýrafirði and lived in Sæból in Haukadal. Gísl's brother-in-law (Vésteinn Vésteinsson) and Gísl joined together in a brotherhood. Someone then killed Vésteinn and many thought that Þorkell, Gísl's brother was the culprit. Gísl suspected Þorgrímur and killed him. Börkur is Þorgrímur's brother. They get Gísl to admit his guilt at their meeting "Vorping Vestfirðinga". Gísl sells their land in Dýrafirði and moves to Geirþjófsfjarður and several other locations in Barðaströnd and in Hergilsey in Breyðafirði. He was later killed.



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A famous sentence in Gísla saga

- "All waters flow to Dýrafjörður" is famous sentence that come from Gíslasögu.
- It means you have come to a point of no return, you can't go back





Thanks for your time



Poems

Una Salvör, Rebekka, Dagný og Þuríður



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Untraditional or modern poems are those that do not follow certain rules in poetry. First when poets started to write modern or untraditional poems was a lot of negativity against their ways.

Traditional/Old poems

They often rhyme and follow old rules and traditions, have a beautiful language, they are also often about hard and dark times in Iceland such as cold and hard weather and hunger.

Bjarni Thorarensen

- Bjarni Vigfússon Thorarensen was born on December 30, 1786 and died August 24, 1841
- He was an Icelandic poet and official. He was deputy governor of northern and eastern Iceland. As a poet he was influenced by classics



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Íslands minni

Eldgama Ísafold,
ástkæra fósturmold,
Fjallkonan fríð!
mögum þín muntu kær
meðan lönd gyrðir sær
og gumar girnast mér,
gljár sól á hlíð.

Eldgama Ísafold,
ástkæra fósturmold,
Fjallkonan fríð!
ágætust auðnan þér
upplyfti, biðjum vér,
meðan að uppi er
öll heimsins tíð.

- Bjarni Thorarensen



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Ísafold

- Ísafold is a nickname for Iceland that many people care about. We are not sure when people started to use it but they have been using it for a long time.



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Fjallkonan - Lady of the mountain

- Fjallkonan or Lady of the mountain is a national symbol and represents the national vision, the nation's ultimate dream
- The Lady of the mountain is never the same each year, one woman from each town is chosen to represent the mountain lady each year in their hometown
- The Lady of the mountain gives a speech every year for the public on the 17th of June, which is Iceland's national Independence Day.



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Mountains

- In the poem he talks about the mountains in Iceland which are one of the signatures of Iceland and Icelanders respect them. The mountains affect our literature as the mountains are very beautiful and many poets write about them.



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A poem

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Munað um kvöld

*Löngu fyrr – ásar og sól
Á Djúpanogi og píramíðinn
óbreyttur bak við húsin.
Birtan dapurleg og við
Tvö í þessum bíl á norður –
leið og svo komu dimmir
dalir*

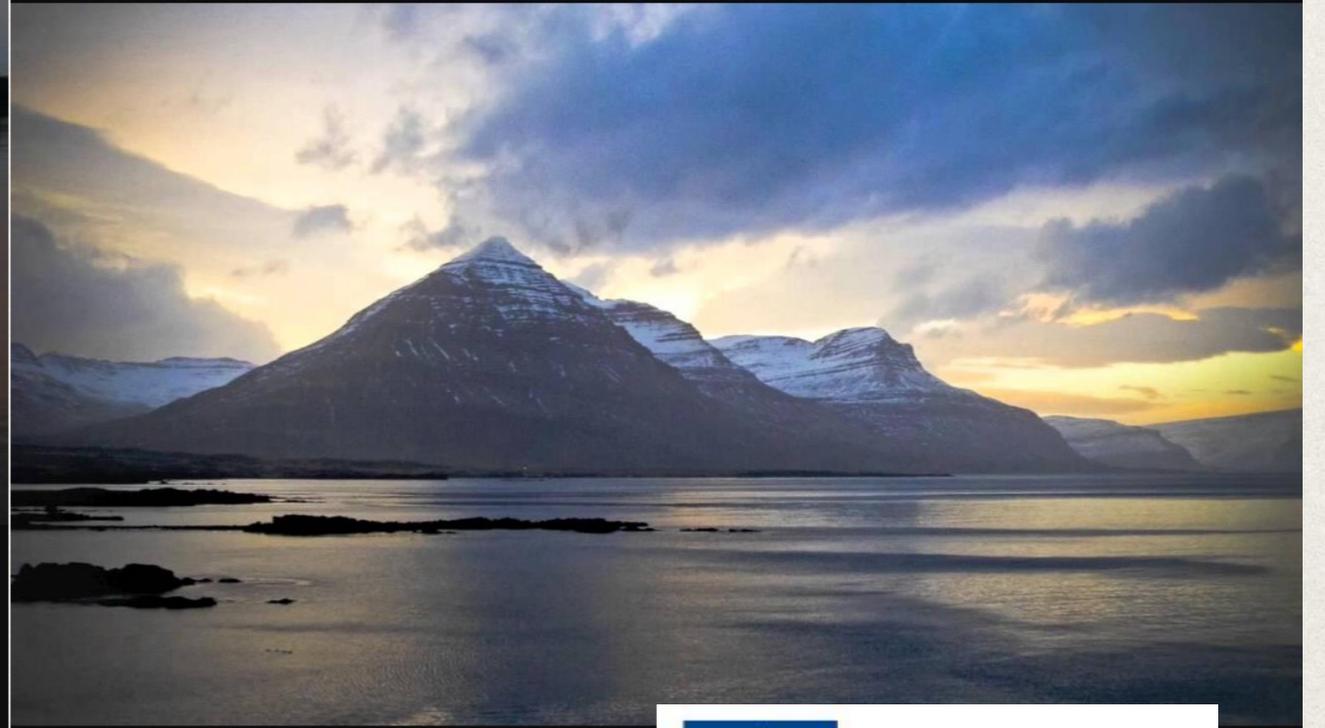
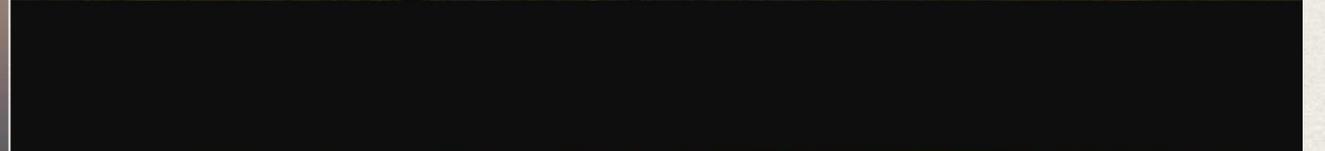
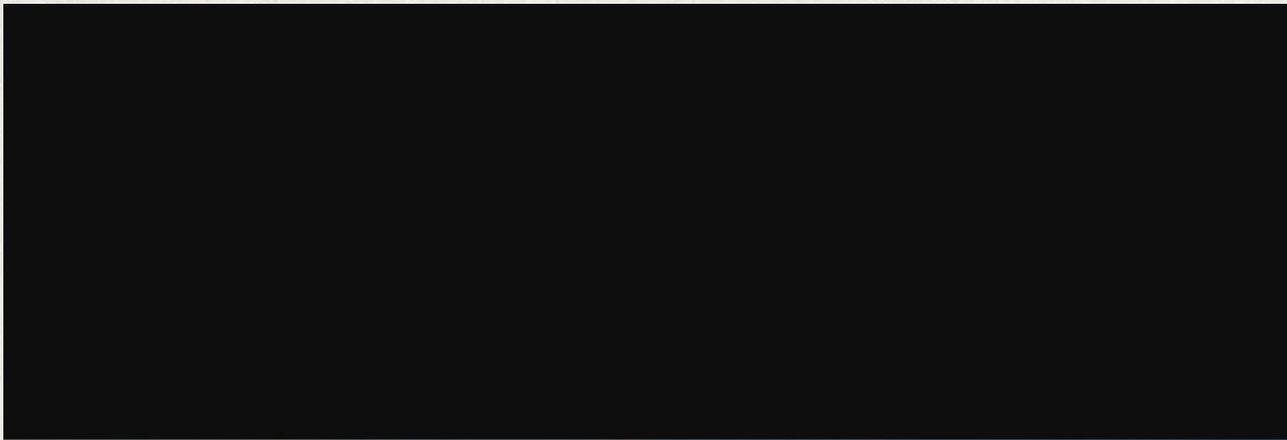
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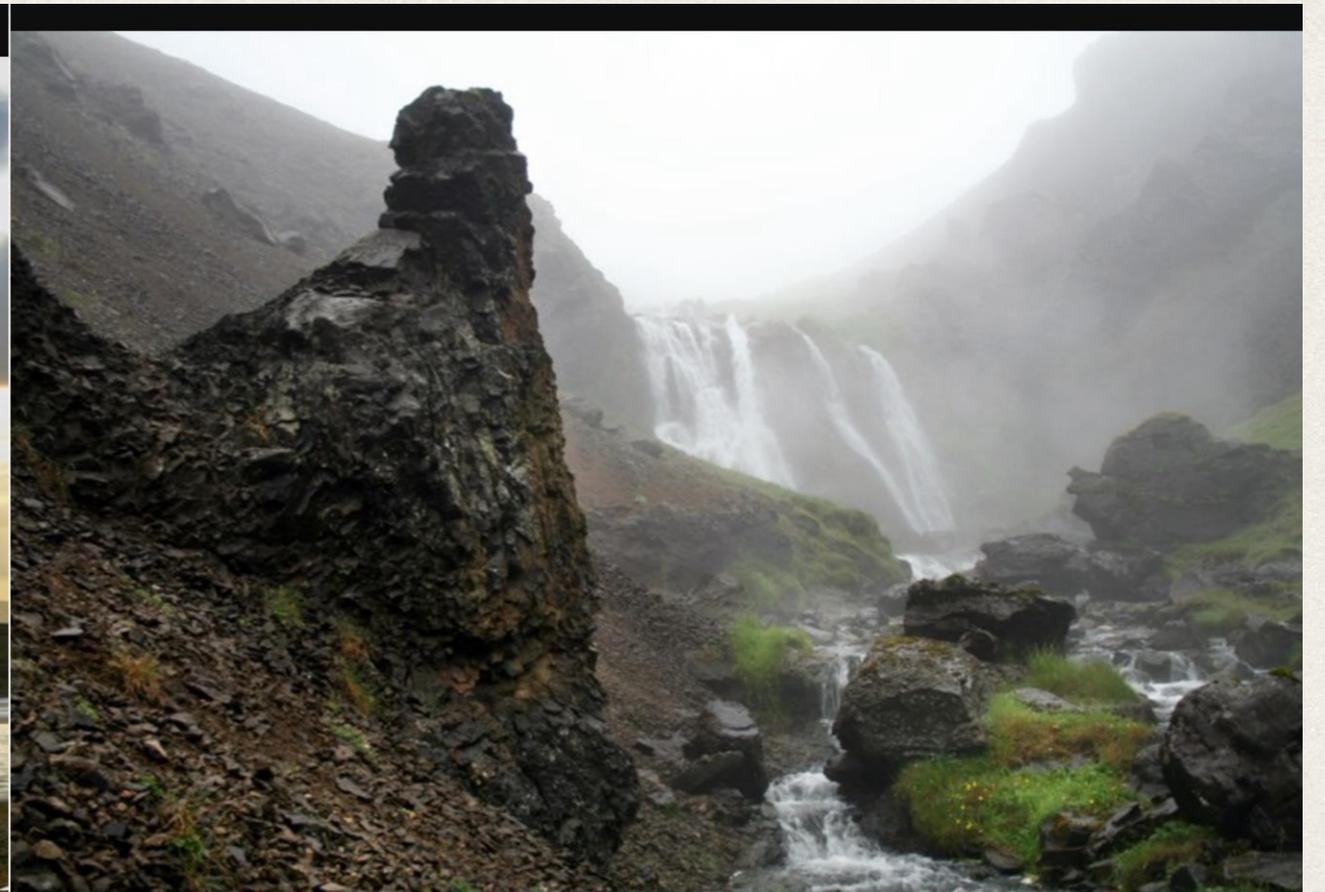
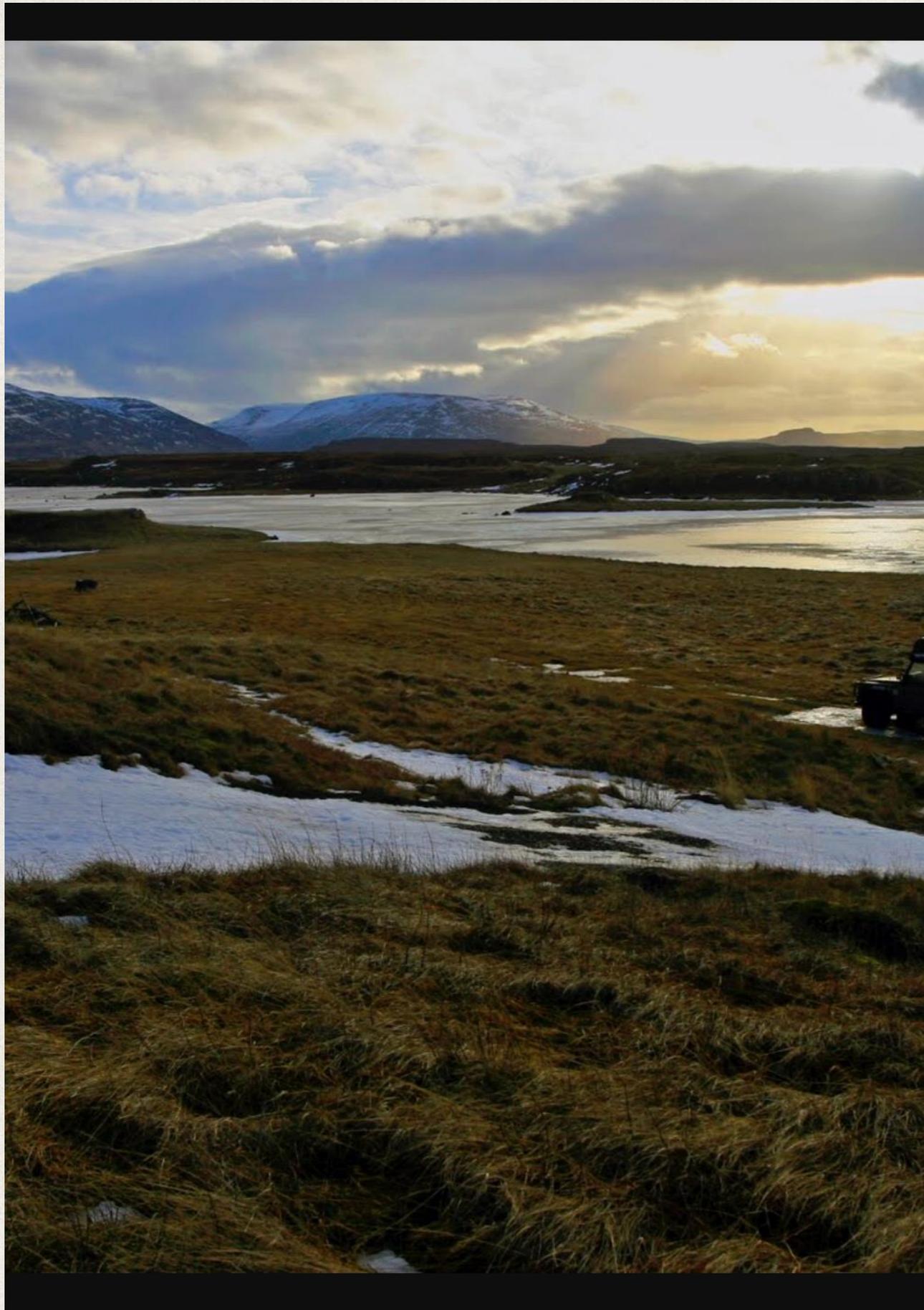
Born 1955



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- ❖ The poem is about Djúpvogur. 2 people drive through the village Djúpvogur.
- ❖ The poet describes the landscape, a mountain like a pyramid, it is a famous mountain in Iceland called Búlandstindur.
- ❖ And then they drive north towards dark valleys.







Thanks for watching

Hope you are happy 😊



Icelandic teen books

Bríet, Bryndís, Thelma, Eva, Dagbjört & Svava

Teen books

- We are going to present a couple of Iceland's popular teen books
- Rökkurhæðir
- The football series
- Jón Oddur and Jón Bjarni
- The books about Julia

Teen books

- The teen books that we are presenting all happen in Reykjavík city and towns nearby. The books are all about teens in the twenty first century and all the teen troubles that happen in their daily activities.

Rökkurhæðir

Marta Hlín Magnadóttir and
Birgitta Elín Hassell



Breiðholt In Reykjavík

Rökkurhæðir

- Rökkurhæðir is a horror book series
- There are 7 books In the series
- The books are a about a teenage girl and all of the trouble that surrounds her and her neighborhood.
- Marta Hlín Magnadóttir & Birgitta Elín Hassell are the authors of these book series

Fótboltaseríurnar

/The football series

- These book series are a mix of comedy and football drama
- There are four books in this book Series
- These books are about a boy and his teammates and all the adventures that they go through
- The author of these books is Gunnar Helgason

Reykjavík



Vestmannaeyjar



Sweden



Akureyri

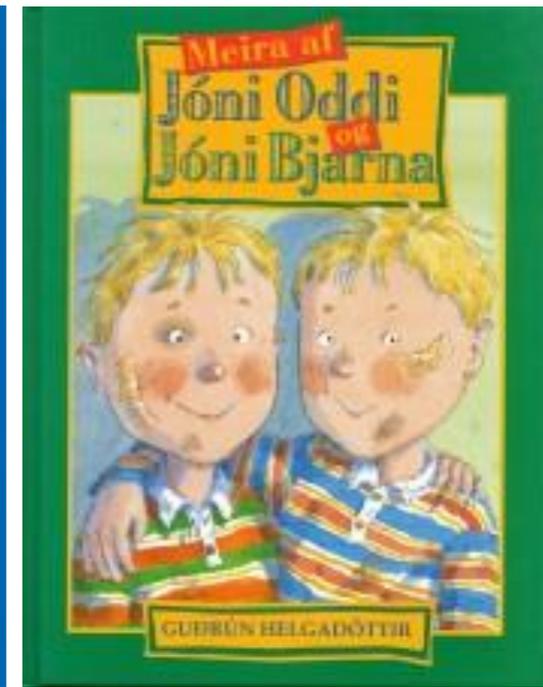
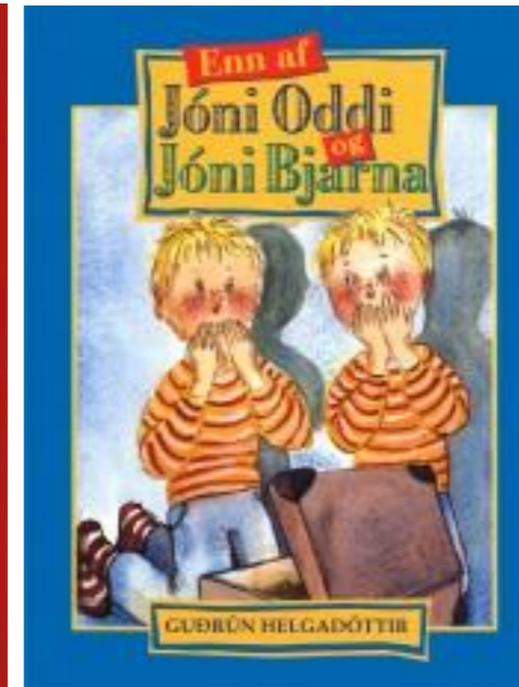
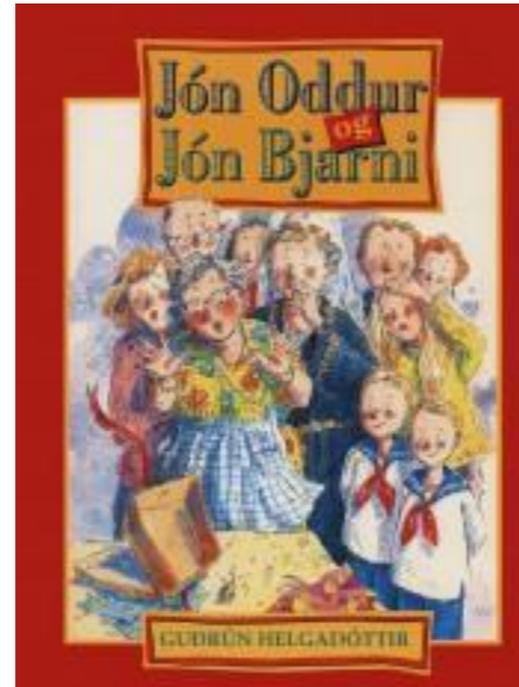


Jón Oddur and

Jón Bjarni

Guðrún Helgadóttir

- The books are a comedy book series



- There are three books in this series

- These books are about funny twin brothers

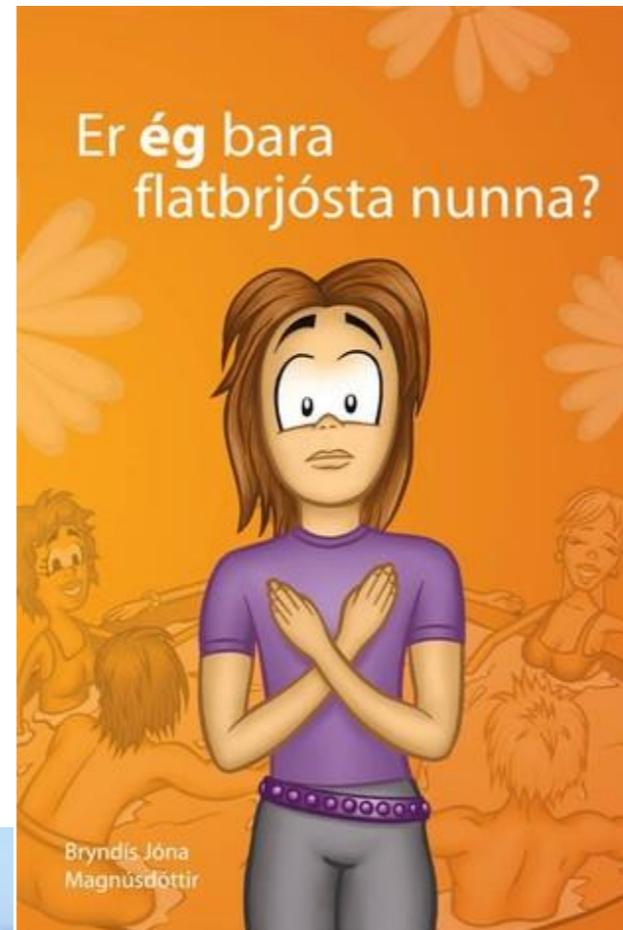


The books about Julia

Bryndís Jóna Magnúsdóttir



Mosfellsbær is a town next to Reykjavík



The books about Julia

- These books are a mix of a teenage drama, romance and comedy
- The books are called: am I just a flat chested nun?. Bend and broken hearts, kisses and hugs and the issue is dead, senioritas with sand in their pants 😊
- These books are about a teenage girl and all of her troubles and her dramatic relationships
- The author of these books are Bryndís Jóna Magnúsdóttir

Famous Icelandic authors that write teenage novels

- Þorgrímur Þráinsson
- Yrsa Sigurðardóttir
- Gunnar Helgason
- Kristín Helga Gunnarsdóttir
- Helgi Jónsson

Thanks for listening/reading!

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Monsters and Ghosts

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How were monster stories made?

- ▶ **Monster stories were made when people saw something up on the mountain and made stories about, for example a stone that was a troll and then became a rock when the sun came up.**



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This is the merman

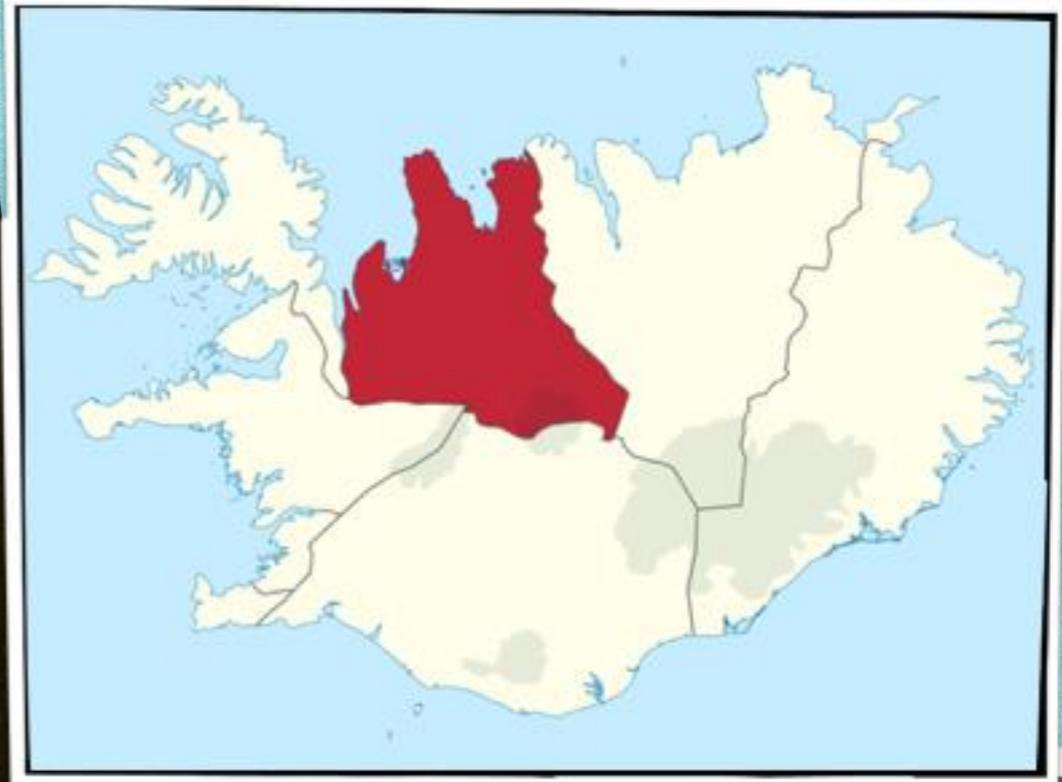
He is common in north Iceland.

*He eats people by sneaking up
and dragging their legs.*

*He is the only dangerous species
of monsters, the other monsters
are afraid of humans.*



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Draugar

- ▶ In Icelandic folklore it is believed that ghosts are the souls of dead people who are stuck between worlds of life and death. When people die it can happen that friends and family grieve so much that it won't let the passed one go and causes the dead person to be stuck between two worlds.



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Types of ghosts

- ▶ Dagdraugur is a ghost that roams both day and night.
- ▶ Fédraugur is a ghost that walks again back to his/her possessions (especially to play with its money).
- ▶ Gangári is a wandering ghost
- ▶ Sjódraugur or Sædraugur is a ghost that comes from the sea.
- ▶ Staðardraugur is a ghost that stays at a certain place
- ▶ Ærsladraugur is a house ghost that makes noises, moves things out of place.
- ▶ Útburður is an infant who was born and unnamed and left out in the cold to die.





<https://youtu.be/aCEUNiyDAHs>

The ghost

Short movie



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