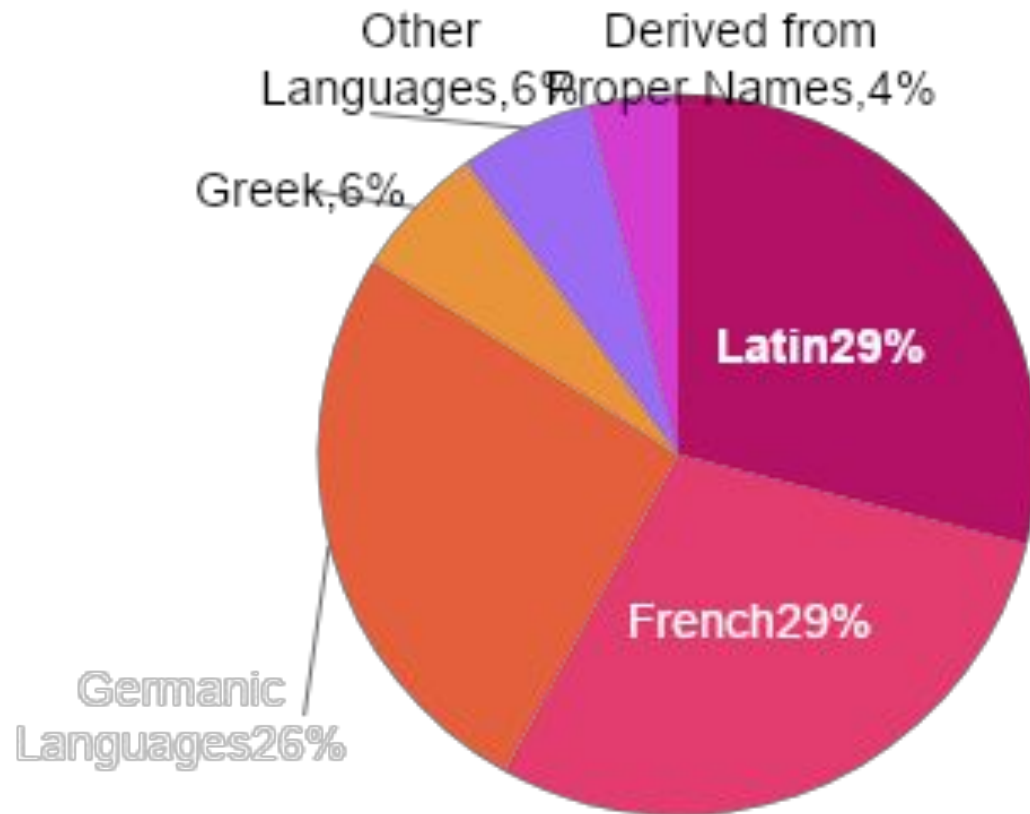


# Borrowings from Latin: historical issue

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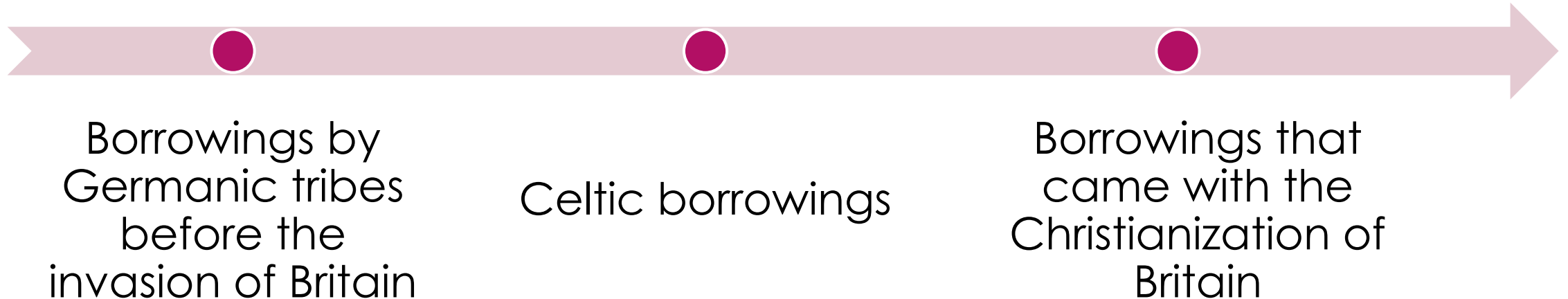
# Foreign language influences in English



The percentage of modern English words derived from each language group according to *Thomas Finkenstaedt* and *Dieter Wolff*

# The Influence of Latin on Old English

**There are three periods of Latin influences on Old English**



# Borrowings by Germanic tribes before the invasion of Britain

Latin words	Old English words	Meaning
moneta	mynet	coin
vinum	win	wine
mustum	must	new wine
catillus	cetil	kettle

# Caesar's invasion of Celtic Britain in 55 B.C.

The period of  
influence of Latin  
language which  
accounts for the  
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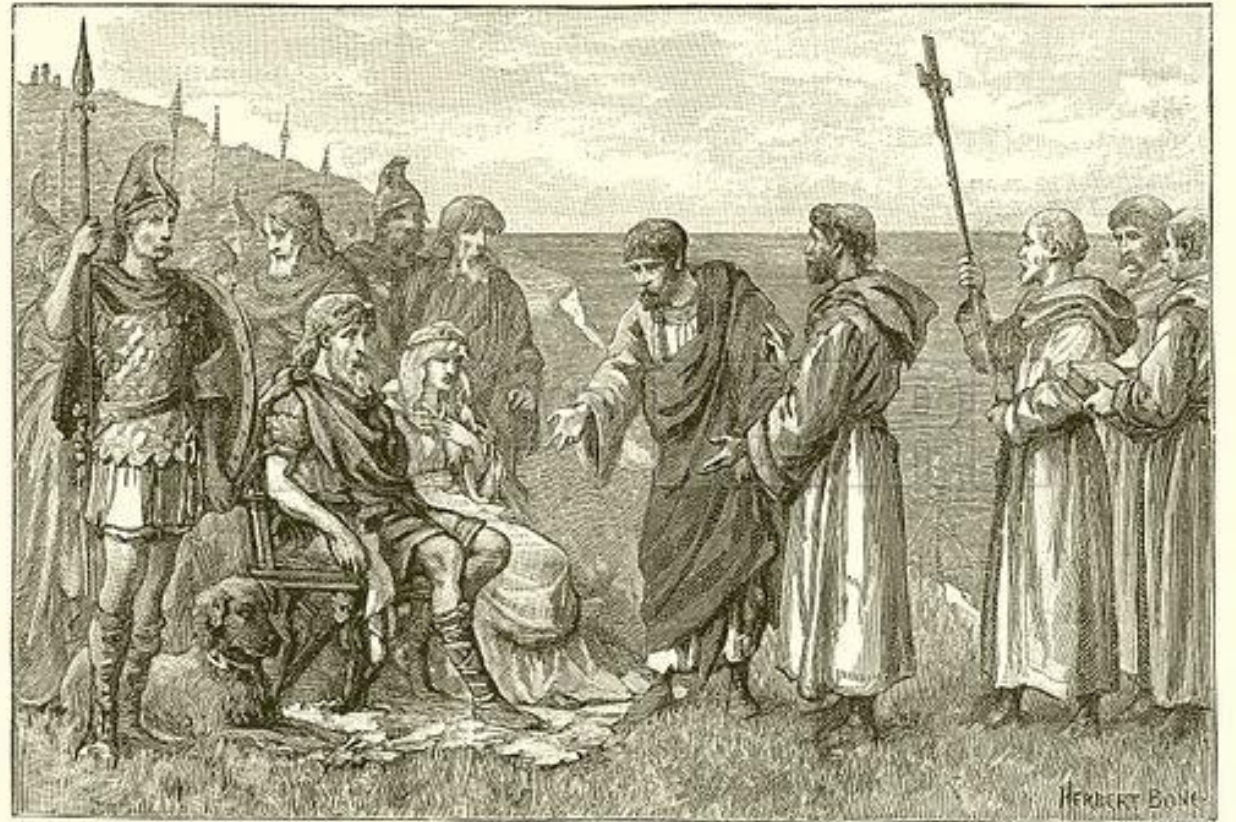




# Christianization of Britain

In this period Anglo-Saxons borrowed:

- words of a churchly origin;
- words for household items and clothing;
- educational terms.



THE LANDING OF ST. AUGUSTINE IN KENT, A.D. 597.

# The Influence of Latin during the period of Middle English and Early Modern English

Middle English

Early Modern English

1066-15<sup>th</sup> century

16<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup> centuries

<i>Client</i>	<i>Conviction</i>
<i>Discuss</i>	<i>Essence</i>
<i>Folio</i>	<i>Imaginary</i>
<i>Instant</i>	<i>Library</i>
<i>Medicine</i>	<i>Quadrant</i>

<i>Abdomen</i>	<i>Area</i>
<i>Compensate</i>	<i>Data</i>
<i>Decorum</i>	<i>Imitate</i>
<i>Series</i>	<i>Sinecure</i>
<i>Ultimate</i>	<i>Vindicate</i>

**75%**

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