The **Old English** is the language spoken by the Germanic tribes who invaded England from 450 to 1100 a. D.

The **Middle English** is the language born from the mingling of the old English with a kind of French language brought to England by the Norman invaders. It was spoken from 1100 to 1500. It was the language of the great poet Chaucer.

The **Modern English**, divided into early Modern English (up to 1800) and late modern English (up to our days) was the language born with the invention of the printing which spread a standard kind of language.