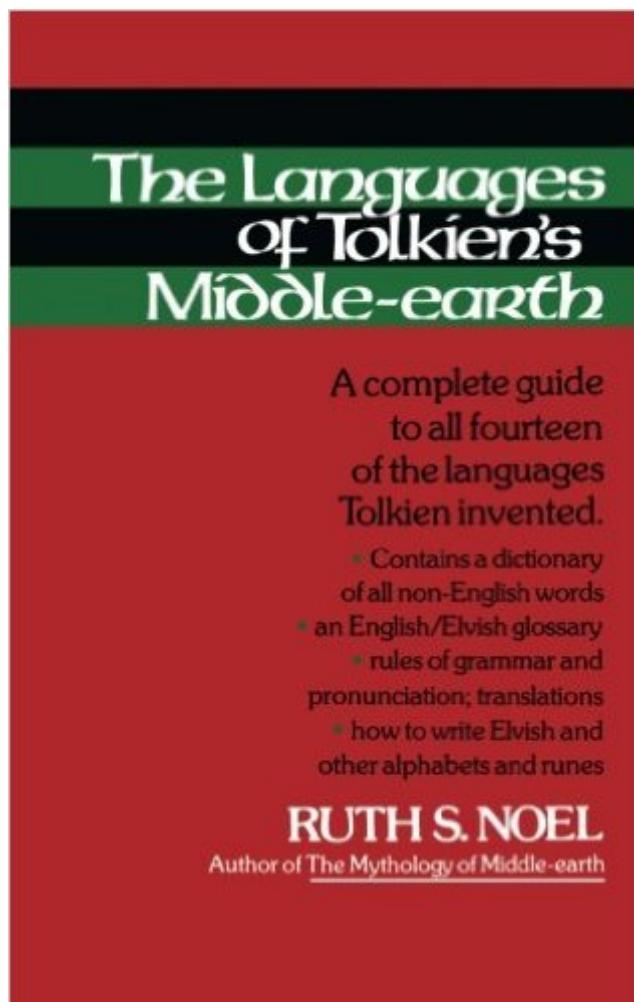


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Shagrath, Sindarin, tark\*, tarkil, Turgon). Many of these were correctly identified in the Quotations Translated chapter, while others are identified in the Silmarillion or Lord of the Rings, so this is clearly a case of sloppy editing.\*an Orkish word, listed under Quenya!<sup>3</sup>. In the Dictionary, Noel lists "Hobbit" as a language separate from Common Westron.

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