

Corpus Number: TC-102
Language: English
Source: LR – Title Page

Item Name: Title Page Tengwar
Mode & Use: Númenian Short

Timeframe: 1954
Orthography: Orthographic
DTS #: 4, 5

A: Title Page Tengwar (Corrected)

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of Westmarch by John Ronald Reuel Tolkien. Herein is set forth
the history of the War of the Ring and the return of the king as seen by the Hobbits.

B: Title Page Tengwar (Uncorrected)

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Notes: This inscription adorns the bottom of the *Lord of the Rings* title page and picks up where the top portion, written with Cirth runes, leaves off.

Of special interest in this specimen is the handling of multiple vowels with carriers: ‘*Reuel*’ / ‘*seen*’ and the dot under ‘*nd*’ to denote a shorthand version of ‘*and*’. Punctuation is also present in this sample and follows the same convention as TC-101 with two vertical dots representing a period. TC-102B is identical to TC-102A with the exception of an error in the second line where ‘*seen*’ is spelled with dots instead of accents. This error was corrected in all future printings. The reversal of these signs is indicated (and perhaps standard) in documents from the mid-1940’s, however it is not internally consistent with the rest of the inscription.