Watch the video:
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JOddp-nlNvQ

What do we infer about the character's of Thor, Loki, and Odin from this trailer?

Read Text – Norse Gods Dossier
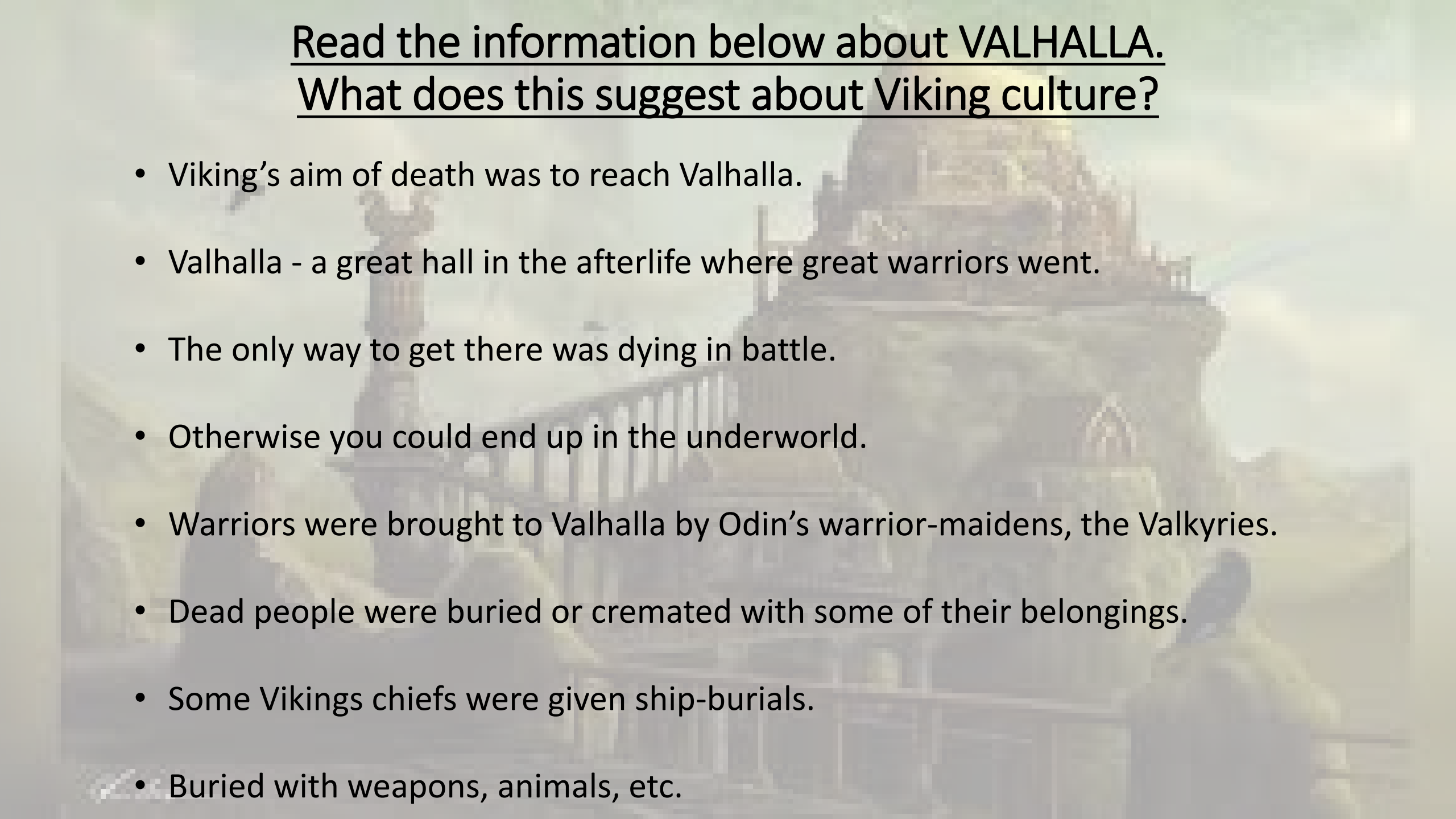
List four facts about each God

What kind of figure is Odin? What do the things with which he is associated tell us about Norse culture? What does Odin have in common with Zeus from Greek mythology?

How well does Thor in the film trailer match up with the 'real' Thor?

The sheets says Loki is 'the most interesting god in Asgard' – why might some people think this? Do you agree?

Freyja is associated with a very strange mix of things – what does the link between these things show us about Norse culture?

What do you think about the figure of Freyr? He is the most admirable of the Norse Gods – why do you think he was not imagined as the lead God?

Read the information below about VALHALLA. What does this suggest about Viking culture?

- Viking's aim of death was to reach Valhalla.

- Valhalla - a great hall in the afterlife where great warriors went.

- The only way to get there was dying in battle.

- Otherwise you could end up in the underworld.

- Warriors were brought to Valhalla by Odin's warrior-maidens, the Valkyries.

- Dead people were buried or cremated with some of their belongings.

- Some Vikings chiefs were given ship-burials.

- Buried with weapons, animals, etc.

Text 16 – Thor's Hammer

Read the first paragraph (to '...hammer was gone').

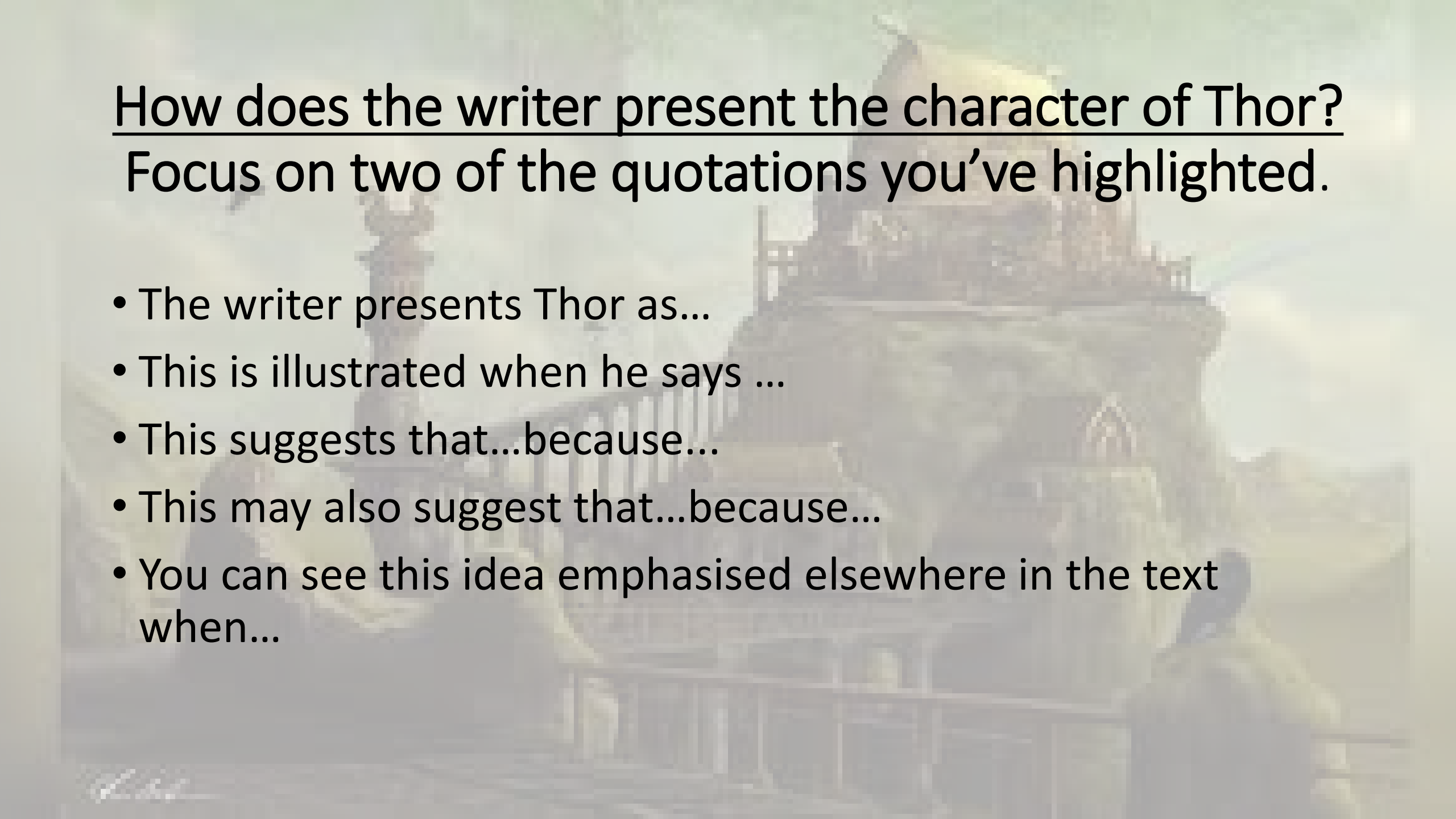**How does the writer create tension here?**

Try to comment not just on the vocabulary used, but also the variety of different kinds of sentences

Now read to the end of the text.

Highlight sections in response to these questions:

- What do we learn about Thor?

- What do we learn about Loki?

- What do we learn about Freyr?

- What do we learn about the relationship between the Gods and the Giants?

- What do we learn about Mjolnir?

How does the writer present the character of Thor?
Focus on two of the quotations you've highlighted.

- The writer presents Thor as…

- This is illustrated when he says …

- This suggests that…because…

- This may also suggest that…because…

- You can see this idea emphasised elsewhere in the text when…

Here are the success criteria for a task like this at GCSE...

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7-8 clear	Clear focus and application of skills - coherent comments, fluently written - subject terminology - quotations - clear comments, developing comments effectively, .
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1-3 attempts	Some basic response, may include - subject terminology – possibly inaccurate - reference / quotation - simple comment, i.e. paraphrase May do this more than once
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Where would you score the answer that you wrote? What do you need to focus on to develop your answers to questions like this?

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