

EARLY (PRENORMATIVE) GRAMMARS

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- Until the 17th century the term "grammar" in English was applied only to the study of Latin.



William Lilly (1468-1522) – the author of the most popular Latin grammars written in English.

- 1st English grammar “Pamphlet for Grammar” was written by William Bullokar in 1586. There was used a “reformed spelling system” of his own invention.
- Christopher Cooper's *Grammatica Linguae Anglicanae* (1685) was the last English grammar written in Latin.

- John Brightland's "A Grammar of the English tongue" (1711) and James Greenwood's "Essay towards a practical English grammar" were teaching people without "Latin background".

