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| **Corpus** | **Period** | **Content** | **Reference** | **Annotated** | **Number of words** | **Number of words in dataset** |
| Corpus Old Dutch | 475-1200 | literary texts, glosses | Oudnederlands Woordenboek (2012) | yes | 26,000 | 618 |
| Corpus Gysseling | 1200-1300 | juridical and literary texts | Gysseling (1977-1987) | yes | 1,557,200 | 29,232 |
| Corpus Van Reenen Mulder  (only the annotated part) | 1300-1400 | juridical texts | Van Reenen & Mulder (1993) | yes | 50,601 | 807 |
| Corpus Middle Dutch  (only selected texts) | 1250-1500 | literary texts | Kuiper (2017) | no | +/- 4 million | 53,012 |
| Letters as Loot | 1600-1800 | letters | Rutten & Van der Wal (2014) | lemmatized and basic pos-tags | 460,379 | 4,577 |
| Corpus Daniel Van Olmen | 1500-2000 | literary texts | Van Olmen (2019) | no | 9,766,040 | 165,405 |

\*Note: Of the Corpus Middle Dutch only a subset of texts was used. To be included in the selection, the century of attestation of the manuscript had to be the same as the proposed date of composition. This criterion was motivated by the problems of interference of a later scribe copying older texts.

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Appendix 2.

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| **Verb** | **Number of words rhyming with weak singular and plural** | **Number of words rhyming with strong singular and plural** |
| *schuilen* ‘hide’ | 76 | 386 |
| *jagen* ‘hunt’ | 204 | 112 |
| *zinnen* ‘please | 266 | 600 |
| *waaien* ‘blow’ | 208 | 107 |
| *raden* ‘guess’ | 986 | 1001 |
| *pluizen* ‘fluff’ | 70 | 900 |
| *stijven* ‘stiffen’ | 26 | 356 |
| *spinnen* ‘spin’ | 266 | 601 |
| *plegen* ‘commit’ | 40 | 562 |
| *bezwijmen* ‘swoon’ | 148 | 304 |
| *zweren* ‘swear’ | 9,762 | 1,734 |
| *stoten* ‘push’ | 744 | 836 |
| *zieden* ‘boil’ | 898 | 895 |
| *zeiken* ‘urinate’ | 56 | 421 |
| *spugen* ‘spit’ | 4 | 630 |
| *kerven* ‘carve’ | 52 | 29 |
| *krijsen* ‘scream’ | 152 | 669 |
| *melken* ‘milk’ | 5 | 58 |
| *schrikken* ‘scare | 298 | 362 |