

American Literature 2021-2022

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| Week | Date of lecture | Topics | Reading to be discussed |
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| 1 | 8/24 | Introduction and historical background | Pages 1-16 |
| 2 | 8/31 | Native American myths and legends | 17-55 |
| 3 | 9/7 | Settlement and Religious Experience | 56-66, 73-92 |
| 4 | 9/14 | Literature of the Revolution | 95-127, 134-155 |
| 5 | 9/21 | Biographies & Primary Sources TEST #1 | 157-200 |
| 6 | 9/28 | Intro to the American Renaissance | 208-254 |
| 7 | 10/5 | Fireside Poets & Nathaniel Hawthorne | 256-285 |
| 8 | 10/12 | <i>The Scarlet Letter</i> | Chapters 1-8 |
| 9 | 10/19 | <i>The Scarlet Letter</i> | Chapters 9-16 |
| 10 | 10/26 | <i>The Scarlet Letter</i> | Chapters 17-24 |
| 11 | 11/2 | Gothic Literature/Edgar Allan Poe | 288-333 |
| 12 | 11/9 | Herman Melville PAPER #1 | 334-356 |
| 13 | 11/16 | Transcendentalists: Emerson and Thoreau | 360-400 |
| | 11/23 | THANKSGIVING BREAK | |
| 14 | 11/30 | Poetry of Dickinson and Whitman | 404-441 |
| 15 | 12/7 | Literature of the Civil War and Frontier TEST #2 | 462-514 |
| 16 | 12/14 | Narrative Nonfiction | 516-542, 550-556 |
| | 12/21 | CHRISTMAS BREAK | |
| 17 | 1/4 | <i>The Red Badge of Courage</i> | Chapters 1-13 |
| 18 | 1/11 | <i>The Red Badge of Courage</i> | Chapters 14-24 |
| 19 | 1/18 | Mark Twain, Jack London CREATIVE PROJECT | 563-611 |
| 20 | 1/25 | Voices from the Turn of the Century | 625-663 |
| 21 | 2/1 | The Modern Age and Imagism | 688-726 |
| 22 | 2/8 | Fitzgerald and Steinbeck | 728-762 |
| 23 | 2/15 | <i>The Great Gatsby</i> | Chapters 1-5 |
| 24 | 2/22 | <i>The Great Gatsby</i> TEST #3 | Chapters 6-9 |
| 25 | 3/1 | Modern Poets | 772-794 |
| | 3/8 | SPRING BREAK | |
| 26 | 3/15 | The Short Story | 794-829, 832-864 |
| 27 | 3/22 | WW I Poets & Sandburg and Frost | 866-885 & links |
| 28 | 3/29 | The Harlem Renaissance PAPER #2 | 895-936 |
| 29 | 4/5 | Post World War II | 964-997 |
| 30 | 4/12 | Southern Regionalists to Beat Poets TEST #4 | 1010-1044 & links |
| 31 | 4/19 | <i>The Crucible</i> | 1120-1160 |
| 32 | 4/26 | <i>The Crucible</i> | 1161-1233 |
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