

Syllabus, First 9 Weeks, British Literature

The **required** textbook for this class is The **Norton Anthology of English Literature (8th Edition Preferred, but other editions will do)** ISBN-13: 978-0393928297 or ISBN-10: 0393928292

This is a reading schedule for the first semester of the 2019-2020 school year. There may be some changes to allow for school trips and other events that force adjustments.

- Week One 8/21-8/23: Summer reading tests. For all students a test 8/22 on *Robinson Crusoe*. For Honors students, a test 8/23 on *Pride and Prejudice* or *Wuthering Heights*
- Week Two 8/26-8/30: The Middle Ages. *Beowulf*. The 14th and 15th Centuries. Arthurian Legends and Lore.
- Week Three 9/3-9/6 School Closed
- Week Four 9/9 Finish PowerPoint on Arthurian Legends and Lore. Read *Sir Gawain and the Green Knight*, Fitt I
9/10 *Sir Gawain and the Green Knight*, Fitt II
9/12 *Sir Gawain and the Green Knight*, Fitt III
9/13 Complete *Sir Gawain and the Green Knight*
- Week Five 9/16 Sir Thomas Malory, *Morte Darthur* - "The Conspiracy against Lancelot and Guinevere"; "War breaks out between Arthur and Lancelot"
9/17 **Science Field Trip**
9/19 Sir Thomas Malory, *Morte Darthur* - "The Death of Arthur"; "The Deaths of Lancelot and Guinevere"
9/20
- Week Six 9/23 PowerPoint on Marlowe. Marlowe's *Dr. Faustus*, Scenes 1,2,3,5
9/24 Marlowe's *Dr. Faustus*, Scenes 6,7,8,9,10
9/26 Marlowe's *Dr. Faustus*, Finish Play
9/27 **TEST ONE**
- Week Seven 9/30 The 16th and 17th Centuries. Poetry: Marlowe, "The Passionate Shepherd"; Raleigh's "The Nymph's Reply"; Wyatt's "They Flee From Me"; Sidney's "Loving in Truth."
10/1 Shakespeare's Sonnets 18, 55, 60, 73, 116,130, 138
10/3 Shakespeare's *1 Henry IV* Act I
10/4 Shakespeare's *1 Henry IV* Act II
- Week Eight 10/7 Shakespeare's *1 Henry IV* Act III
10/8 Shakespeare's *1 Henry IV* Act IV
10/10 Finish Shakespeare's *1 Henry IV*
10/11 The Metaphysical Poets - Donne's "Song," "The Flea," "The Apparition"; Marvell's "To His Coy Mistress"
- Week Nine 10/14 The Metaphysical Poets - Donne's "A Valediction Forbidding Mourning," "Death Be Not Proud," Herbert's "The Collar."
10/15 **TEST TWO**

(Note: This nine weeks Honors students will also read either Kyd's *The Spanish Tragedy* or Webster's *The Duchess of Malfi* and write a paper on the play. Students who failed the summer reading test will have a paper due this week on one of the two plays as well.)