

2020-2021 Survey of British Literature Syllabus

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Course Description and Objectives

This course is a thematic study of British literature and will include a variety of genres and significant themes. The purpose of this course is to allow the student an opportunity to acquire:

- Read closely to analyze and evaluate all forms of (i.e. complex literary and informational) texts.
- Construct task-appropriate writing for diverse purposes and audiences.
- Design and implement concise and sustained research tasks focused by questions and understandings of rigorous and relevant topics.
- Collaborate and communicate effectively in a range of discussions, responding appropriately to diverse perspectives.
- Communicate information, reasoning, and supporting evidence that conveys a clear and distinct perspective.
- Employ the components of language (including conventions and word choice) effectively in written or spoken form.
- Exposure to significant British literature through various genres.

Course Textbooks

Elements of Literature, Sixth Course: Literature of Britain and *Elements of Writing, Sixth Course HMH Into Literature: British Literature* (2 books-\$11.10 each)

Students will also read a variety of novels, plays, short stories, and poems throughout the course.

****Note:** Failure to return books that are assigned or checked out for student use will result in a recovery fee not to exceed the purchase price of the text.

Grading Policy

- Tests/Essays/Projects: 40% of course average
- Classwork/Homework/Quizzes: 40% of course average
- Final: 20% of course grade each semester

****Note** this year Henry County Schools is on semester grading and Eagle's Landing High School is following a block schedule. Each semester a student can earn 1 whole credit.

Henry County Attendance Policy

Attending school is necessary for comprehension of instruction and information.

Remote Learning Attendance Policy

Google Forms will be utilized to take attendance for both synchronous and asynchronous work periods. Students need to check either the Google Meets chat or the Google classroom announcements to find the Google Form for attendance.

Entries from the Google Form will be recorded in Infinite Campus.

Make-Up Work

It is the student's responsibility to retrieve make-up work from the teacher or Google Classroom in the event of an excused absence. Homework and daily work need to be completed within 2 days of the student's return. Tests must be made up within a week for credit. **Any assignments received prior to the excused absence are due immediately upon the student's return.**

Late Work

Assignments that are submitted late will be graded and entered after on-time work has been graded and entered. Students must complete missing work by the end of the unit.

Students will receive a zero (0) for missing assignments. Students will be “ZAPPED” for missing assignments through our Zeros Aren’t Permitted Program (ZAPP).

Homework Policy

- All homework shall be assigned in order to provide practice opportunities for skill attainment and mastery.
- Students are expected to spend time after school reviewing course material and doing independent reading in order to attain the skills necessary for future assessments.
- All assignments must be neatly done and reflect time and effort.
- Occasionally, homework may be assigned that falls under another grading category such as take home tests, quizzes, and/or projects. When this is the case, students will be informed prior to submission of the assignment.

***Note: Homework assignments are assigned at the teacher’s discretion and usage of such assignments may change without prior notification. Please note that all assignments are for the benefit of the student and may not necessarily require grading but may be necessary for the completion and/or comprehension of future graded tasks.**

Academic Honesty and Plagiarism

Per the Student Handbook Academic Honesty: Coursework submitted by a student must be the student’s own, and original work. Students shall not cheat on any assignment by giving or receiving unauthorized assistance, or commit the act of plagiarism. Students who commit such acts are subject to receiving a grade of zero (0) on the assignment as well as disciplinary action.

Suggested Classroom Supplies

School issued Chromebook & Charger Paper Highlighters Colored markers or pencils**
Pens and pencils Crayons** **Students will need access to art supplies for special projects.

Classroom Expectations

- Students are expected to adhere to all rules and guidelines dictated by the Student Handbook for the Henry County School System.
- Students are expected to be respectful and courteous to their teacher and peers.
- Students will come to class prepared to learn.
- Students will have all necessary materials everyday including completed homework assignments.
- Students are expected to arrive to class on time and immediately begin the daily activity.
- Students are expected to pay attention and participate in all classroom activities and discussions.

Remote Learning Expectations

- Students need to show up on time to Google Meet with their teacher when scheduled.
- On Google Meet, students should mute their mic when not speaking.
- On Google Meet, students should raise their hand or use the chat feature to share your ideas.
- Students should maintain respect in speaking, writing, and appearance.
- Overall, this is a class, even though it is virtual, and should be treated as such.

Assignment Requirements

- All out of class writing assignments should be typewritten, size 12 TNR font, and double spaced. If personal access to electronic communication is not available, please utilize school resources and communicate with your teacher any hindrances in a timely manner.
- All projects must be neatly submitted, creative, original, and reflect time and effort.
- All borrowed information presented in written assignments must be documented using MLA style.

- All papers and large written projects will be submitted electronically through Google Classroom.

Technology

Our school is a 1-1 Technology school. Students are required to bring their Henry County School Devices into the classroom and use it at appropriate times. If a student is found using technology without permission, the student will have consequences. Students are provided a Google account through the school, which they will be expected to use for the class. Students should use these tools appropriately as outlined in the Student Handbook.

If there are technology issues or concerns with the school issued device, please email our Technology Specialist, Mr. Burtram, at burtram.shamsideen@henry.k12.ga.us as soon as you have a technology device concern so a solution can be found.

During remote learning, ALL assignments will be put on your teacher's Google Classroom. Also found here will be links to electronic texts of literature that are being read in class as well as PowerPoints.

In order to better assist students and guardians with student performance in the course, progress reports will be distributed periodically throughout the school year. **Progress can be monitored more often with the use of the Parent Portal on Infinite Campus. Updates will be made to GoogleClassroom frequently, which is the best way to keep up with what students are doing in class.**

By signing below, I (student or guardian) verify that I understand the expectations and consequences for the British Literature course at ELHS.

Student Name: _____ Student Signature: _____

Guardian Name: _____ Guardian Signature: _____