

British Literature
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This course will provide a survey of English writings from the Anglo-Saxon period to the modern writers, and readings necessary to grasp British Literature. You will also study the historical context, biographical details, and the major themes of the writings. You will be challenged to apply the ideas presented in literature to your own perspectives on life and to reflect upon how these ideas might impact your own way of thinking.

We will be using the literature to reach the various literary elements that are fundamental to an understanding of literature. Elements such as: character, setting, tone, attitude, etc. The start of our year will focus on these elements.

2 Things You Wanna Know

1. You will be graded as such:

Homework = 40%
Tests/Quizzes/Papers = 40%
Class Participation = 10%
Vocabulary = 10%

2. We will take a quiz every week. Wednesday/Thursday = quiz day. Sometimes it will be multiple choice over our readings (occasionally easy, occasionally AP multiple choice). Sometimes written, just depends. The quizzes will be over the week's readings.

Expectations

1. Be on time and be prepared. This is to say that you know what books you need and you have them.
2. Sit in a desk
3. Think. Your personhood makes you capable of ordering and refining thoughts. Be a person when you are in this classroom.
4. Respect yourself, your classmates, your classroom, and your teacher.
5. Phones will be parked in phone parking lot. See number 2 for an explanation. This is how attendance will be taken.

My commitment

I want you to read things and grow as a student. I will do everything in my power to assist you--I will stay after class, I will tutor, I will edit, I will answer questions. My effort will be to help you grow as a student. In the very short term it means performing well and earning a strong grade in this class. I will work to help you achieve this. Your effort needs to be similar; you must want to, and work to, grow as a student. If you are thinking and working you will do well in this class and in your life.

Late Work Policy

I hate late work. Don't be late, it is annoying, intolerable and starts you into bad habits. An assignment turned in late (as in, not the day it was due) will be worth 70% of its original value. So, do the math, 70% is a C-. If your interest is passing (and it should be more than this), you will need to turn in assignments on time in order to do this.

MONARCHS OF ENGLAND/BRITAIN

MONARCHS OF ENGLAND

House of Wessex

Egbert (802-39)
Aethelwulf (839-55)
Aethelbald (855-60)
Aethelbert (860-6)
Aethelred (866-71)
Alfred the Great (871-99)
Edward the Elder (899-925)
Athelstan (925-40)
Edmund the Magnificent (940-6)
Eadred (946-55)
Eadwig (Edwy) All-Fair (955-59)
Edgar the Peaceable (959-75)
Edward the Martyr (975-78)
Aethelred the Unready (978-1016)
Edmund Ironside (1016)

Danish Line

Svein Forkbeard (1014)

Canute the Great (1016-35)
Harald Harefoot (1035-40)
Hardicanute (1040-42)

House of Wessex, Restored

Edward the Confessor (1042-66)
Harold II (1066)

Norman Line

William I the Conqueror (1066-87)
William II Rufus (1087-1100)
Henry I Beauclerc (1100-35)
Stephen (1135-54)
Empress Matilda (1141)

Plantagenet, Angevin Line

Henry II Curtmantle (1154-89)
Richard I the Lionheart (1189-99)
John Lackland (1199-1216)
Henry III (1216-72)
Edward I Longshanks (1272-1307)
Edward II (1307-27)
Edward III (1327-77)
Richard II (1377-99)

Plantagenet, Lancastrian Line

Henry IV Bolingbroke (1399-1413)
Henry V (1413-22)
Henry VI (1422-61, 1470-1)
Plantagenet, Yorkist Line
Edward IV (1461-70, 1471-83)
Edward V (1483)
Richard III Crookback (1483-5)

House of Tudor

Henry VII Tudor (1485-1509)
Henry VIII (1509-47)
Edward VI (1547-53)
Lady Jane Grey (1553)
Mary I Tudor (1553-58)
Elizabeth I (1558-1603)

MONARCHS OF GREAT BRITAIN

House of Stuart

James I (1603-25)
Charles I (1625-49)

The Commonwealth

Oliver Cromwell (1649-58)
Richard Cromwell (1658-59)

House of Stuart, Restored

Charles II (1660-85)
James II (1685-88)

House of Orange and Stuart

William III, Mary II (1689-1702)

House of Stuart

Anne (1702-14)

House of Brunswick, Hanover Line

George I (1714-27)
George II (1727-60)
George III (1760-1820)
George IV (1820-30)
William IV (1830-37)
Victoria (1837-1901)

House of Saxe-Coburg-Gotha

Edward VII (1901-10)

House of Windsor

George V (1910-36)
Edward VIII (1936)
George VI (1936-52)
Elizabeth II (1952-present)