

English 12 British Literature

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English 12 is a survey course focusing on British literature. While studying key events of England's history and its resulting literary canon, students will demonstrate an understanding of course content through quizzes, tests, writings, and various assignments and projects. As with every language arts class, the curriculum encompasses material beyond the literature itself: relevant vocabulary, writing instruction, grammar review as needed, and application of new skills as well as those acquired in earlier courses will be interspersed throughout each week of class.

Course Overview

The following is a list of periods we will cover:

The Anglo-Saxon Period

The Medieval Period

The English Renaissance Period

The Restoration Period

The Romantic Period

The Victorian Period

The 20th Century-Present

Materials

Please bring the following items to class each day:

1. Your **charged** iPad (**required**)
2. Pencil or pen (**required**)
3. Folder or binder (at least one pocket only for this class, **required**)
4. Notebook (only for this class, recommended)

Grading

Much of a student's grade is determined by tests and writings; however, projects and other assignments as well as class participation also contribute. While tests are always announced well ahead of time, quizzes may or may not be, so students should always come well prepared to class with all work completed. In addition, I will regularly check homework, notes, and/or journals for points. A few more involved assignments include:

- a definition essay based on Anglo-Saxon literature
- a mini presentation about a Medieval work
- a project relating to Elizabethan drama
- a research paper on the life and works of a Victorian author

Absences

If you are absent, I expect you to complete all work as soon as possible: this may be done during academic study hall, after school, or before school (by appointment). **Generally, tests and quizzes must be made up via an alternate assessment within one week. Failure to comply with this**

policy will result in a score of zero. Special consideration will be given in the event of an extended absence or under extenuating circumstances. **If you are attending a field trip and wish to receive credit for any assignments due on that day, I must have your work before first block on the day that you will miss.**

Class Conduct

- ❖ Please be on time. If you are one or two minutes late once, I will simply issue you a warning. If tardiness occurs again in the same month, however, you will receive a detention for blocks 2-4 classes or a tardy for block 1 classes. Each new month clears any prior offenses.
- ❖ Once I begin class as well as any time I speak to you directly, I expect you to look at me rather than at your iPad.
- ❖ You must put away your phone once class begins, and you will not be permitted to use it until class ends.
- ❖ Earbuds are not permitted unless I instruct you differently.
- ❖ You must sign out and take the hall pass each time you need to leave for any reason, following my policy for keeping this time out of class to a minimum (twice per week maximum).
- ❖ Remember to charge your iPad regularly. You should only need to use the charging station during class a maximum of once per week.
- ❖ Aside from special occasions, no food is permitted in the classroom.
- ❖ Perhaps most importantly: respect your classmates, yourself, and me, and I will reciprocate.

Synchronous Learning

If you must attend class virtually, remember that the same tardy, participation, and hall pass usage policies apply as in the classroom.

- ❖ Use the Google Meet code to log in no later than the starting time for class. The bell schedule is listed on my website.
- ❖ Mute your microphone except when contributing or asking questions.
- ❖ Your face must be visible.
- ❖ Your clothes should comply with the CV dress code.
- ❖ Logging in late is considered tardy, and leaving early is considered cutting class.
- ❖ Please be attentive to what is in the background at home so that it does not distract from learning.
- ❖ If you need to step away from your computer for any reason, let me know verbally or via chat. Also, inform me when you return.
- ❖ If I call on you and you do not respond, I will mark you as absent.
- ❖ Remember to exit the Google Meet when I dismiss class.

Please sign below as acknowledgment of your understanding of the rules and expectations for Mrs. Greco's English 12 British Literature class:

Student signature: _____

Date: _____