



Out of the Silent Planet by C. S. Lewis

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English Literature Class for 14 to 17-Year-Olds

In this 8-week online class, students will read *Out of the Silent Planet* by C. S. Lewis, learn vocabulary related to the book, and delve into some of the literary aspects of the book.

Class Description

This class is designed to cover *Out of the Silent Planet* by C. S. Lewis. In order to understand the material, the student needs to be able to read at an 8th-grade level and write complete sentences.

Students need to purchase their own copy of the book. Any format (paper, digital, or audio) is acceptable. However, students will need to be able to quote from the text, so an audio version might make that a bit challenging.

Students will receive digital copies of all the activity sheets they need. Assignments are optional but strongly recommended. Students will receive the most benefit from this course if they complete every assignment and activity. Assignments will include reading, learning vocabulary, vocabulary quizzes, discussions via a Google document, character analysis, and an essay project. There will also be some optional podcast episodes for the students to listen to.

Class Structure

Material will be emailed out each Sunday, but no later than each Monday by 6:00 AM Chicago time.

Course syllabus:

--Week 1--

* chapters 1-3

--Week 3--

* chapters 7-9

--Week 5--

* chapters 13-15

--Week 7--

* chapters 19-21

--Week 2--

* chapters 4-6

--Week 4--

* chapters 10-12

--Week 6--

* chapters 16-18

--Week 8--

* chapters
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Class Expectations

This is a flexible schedule course, meaning that there are no live meetings. Each week, you will read the assigned chapters, look up vocabulary definitions, learn the vocabulary, and take a vocabulary quiz. There will also be weekly discussion questions as well as a couple of longer projects that you will work on throughout the course. There will be a weekly Google document where you can post videos or photos or messages asking for help with the assignments. Students are encouraged to help each other, and the instructor will check in regularly to answer questions as well. You should be working through the assignments each week in order to get the most benefit out of the course.

The instructor will always be available via email and will typically reply within 12 to 24 hours. I am also willing to set up office hours via Zoom video chat if they are requested by a section of the class.

Class Assignments and Commitment

Assignments: Assignments will include reading (between 20 and 30 pages each week), learning vocabulary, vocabulary quizzes, discussions via a Google document, character analysis, and an essay project. There will also be some optional podcast episodes for the students to listen to. Students who submit this work will be given a grade for each assignment they complete.

Time Commitment: No live meetings, and an estimated 2 - 4 hours per week outside of class.

Cost and Registration

Cost: \$40 per student (must be paid up front)

Refund Policy: Registrations that are canceled 1 week before the class starts will be refunded in their entirety. Registrations that are canceled within 7 days of the class starting will be refunded at 90%. Registrations that are canceled on the day the class starts will be refunded at 50%.

Minimum enrollment: There needs to be at least two students enrolled for the class to run. If this minimum is not reached, the class will be canceled and full refunds issued.

Questions? Email Laura at laura.glassel@gmail.com

Register here: <https://tinyurl.com/silentplanetmrsg>