

American Literature Studies

ENGH 011 057

Credits: 0.5 units / 5 hours | NCAA Approved

Course Description

This course fosters in students the desire to read and the ability to express their ideas about what they read. Students read the books listed below and two more books from an annotated book list. The themes appeal to the interests and concerns of teenagers. The level of the reading material ranges from beginning to intermediate.

Graded Assessments: 5 Evaluations, 2 Projects, 2 Proctored Progress Tests, 5 Teacher Connects

Course Objectives

When you have completed the materials in this course, you should be able to:

1. Understand how universal characters can enhance the timelessness of a story.
2. Recognize how a story can create a mood in a story and how sounds can contribute to that mood.
3. Understand how a story's setting can affect the story.
4. Understand how a biography can also be a story.
5. Recognize the use of fable or parable in a story.
6. Understand how the rhythm of a story contributes to the overall feeling you get when you read it.
7. Recognize how symbolism contributes to the overall theme of a story.

Course Outline

Unit 1 — *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn*

Teacher Connect 1

Lesson 1: Setting

Lesson 2: Freedom vs. Civilization

Lesson 3: Racism and Slavery

Lesson 4: Intellectual and Moral Education

Lesson 5: Characters

Unit 1 Evaluation

Unit 2: *The Pearl*

Lesson 6: The Pearl of the World

Lesson 7: Good Versus Evil

Lesson 8: Flight

Unit 2 Evaluation
Teacher Connect 2

Unit 3: *To Kill a Mockingbird*

Lesson 9: Who is Boo Radley?
Lesson 10: Atticus
Lesson 11: Tom Robinson
Lesson 12: Revenge
Unit 3 Evaluation
Teacher Connect 3
Project 1
Progress Test 1

Unit 4: *The Chosen*

Lesson 13: Characters
Lesson 14: Themes
Lesson 15: Motifs
Unit 4 Evaluation
Teacher Connect 4

Unit 5: *Dandelion Wine*

Lesson 16: Characters
Lesson 17: Themes
Lesson 18: Motifs
Lesson 19: Symbols
Unit 5 Evaluation
Teacher Connect 5
Project 2
Progress Test 2

Required Textbooks

(available through Follett virtual bookstore at <http://highschool.nebraska.bkstr.com>)

The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn by Mark Twain (any edition)

The Pearl by John Steinbeck (any edition)

To Kill a Mockingbird by Harper Lee (any edition)

The Chosen by Chaim Potok (any edition)

Dandelion Wine by Ray Bradbury (any edition)