

American Literature 2018-2019
Honors American Literature 2018-2019
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American Lit Georgia Milestone
Fall Semester – First week of Dec.
Spring Semester – First week of May

Course Description: American Literature is a comprehensive survey of American authors from the Pre-Colonial Era to the present. The course is designed to familiarize students with traditional and lesser-known authors while continuing to develop the critical reading, thinking, and writing skills introduced in previous English classes and in alignment with Georgia Standards of Excellence (ELA GSE).

Pacing Guide (Selections may change at teacher discretion)

- Pre-Colonial Literature (including various creation myths, *The Crucible*, Selections from: Bradford, Bradstreet, Edwards)
- Age of Reason/New Nation (including selections from: Franklin, Jefferson, Payne, Henry)
- Romanticism (including selections from: Poe, Hawthorne, Irving)
- Transcendentalism (including selections from: Emerson, Thoreau)
- Realism/Regionalism (including selections from: Douglass, Twain, London)
- Beginnings of the Modern Age (including *The Great Gatsby* and *Of Mice and Men*)
- Post Modernism

Grading Policy:

Summative Assessments (Tests, Essays, etc.)	71%
Formative Assessments (Quizzes, Daily work, etc.)	29%
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Make-up Policy: Student has the number of days missed plus one to make up assigned work for full credit. It is the student's responsibility to seek out missing assignments on my website that is updated daily (kwrightsphs.weebly.com). It is also the student's responsibility to make arrangements with teacher to take missing tests, quizzes, etc. before or after school.

Late Work: Summative assessments will be accepted up to 10 school days late with a deduction of 10 points per day. Late summative assessments will not be accepted after two weeks from the due date. Formative assessments will not be accepted late.

Plagiarism Policy: If a student is caught plagiarizing, he/she will receive a grade of zero. For a first offense, he/she will be given an opportunity to rewrite the assignment for a maximum grade of 50.

Technology Policy: Use of electronics will be available periodically at teacher's discretion. These times will be made very clear to students. During "non-electronics" time, all electronics (including headphones and earbuds) must be completely out of sight to avoid disciplinary action. **CHARGERS ARE NOT TO BE PLUGGED IN AT ANY TIME.**

Materials: Binder (No particular style), A LOT of notebook paper, Composition Notebook, blue or black pens, Flash drive, Highlighters, Good attitude, Sense of Humor, and a smile 😊.

