

English III: 2023 - 2024 Course Guide

Welcome to British Literature! Below, you'll find all the essential information you need for a successful and (hopefully) enjoyable experience. I am excited to embark on this journey together with you.



Classroom Rules

1. Arrive before the bell: Aim to be in class on time, ready to dive into the exciting world of British literature.
2. Be respectful: Treat your fellow classmates, teacher, and classroom environment with kindness and respect. We value a supportive and inclusive atmosphere.
3. Phone / Technology policy: Place your phones in the hanging organizer at the front of the class. Use of school-provided personal laptops is both required for classroom use as well as restricted to academic tasks. Let's minimize distractions and focus on building knowledge.
4. Food policy: While I kindly ask that you refrain from bringing food to class, you're always welcome to have water to stay hydrated.
5. Academic honesty: As per school policy, plagiarism including ChatGPT is prohibited and will be responded to with a variety of corrective measures, including grade penalization. You are encouraged to take pride in producing your own original work, and to avoid submitting any material which may lead to undesirable results.

Required Materials

1. Your school laptop: Remember to bring your laptop to class every day fully charged, as it will be an essential tool for our learning activities. Almost all work is posted on Google Classroom.
2. Dedicated notebook: Please have a single subject notebook exclusively for English class. You can also use a specific section of a larger notebook or binder, clearly labeled as English.
3. Two pocket folders: To maximize your organization and avoid unnecessary clutter, you will need two folders in this class. Ensure both folders have your name on them and are properly labeled. Here's how to use them: a) English Work folder: This is where you'll store handouts and worksheets. You're responsible for keeping them until the end of the marking period. b) Portfolio folder: This folder will stay in the classroom and hold important documents for future reference.
4. Writing Instruments: 2 pens (Black/Blue), 2 pencils, 4 Light Highlighters (Blue, Pink, Yellow, Green).

Classwork Submission and Late Work Policy

1. Classwork submission: In order to receive full credit, it is important to make an effort to finish *and submit* your classwork during our class hours. This allows you to learn most effectively and allows me to give timely feedback.
2. Late work policy: Late work will be accepted with a penalty if submitted within 48 hours (up to 2 days) of the original due date, but no later. If you're absent during assigned classwork, you have until the day after you return to hand in the work for full credit.
3. Extensions: Extensions are available to every student through request when a genuine effort is being made to complete work in a timely manner. Please follow these guidelines regarding extensions: a) Request extensions in writing before the due date via email, not by google classroom or by asking in person, with a specific time request. b) Update me when the work is completed by shooting me another email. Note that students who qualify for extensions because of IEP and 501 extensions will be automatically approved but should follow the same guidelines.

→ Students and parents both please sign below showing your understanding of our rules, requirements and policies.

Student Signature_____

Parent Signature_____

Prospective Syllabus / Calendar - Calendar will be adjusted as needed.

	Marking Period 1	Marking Period 2
Unit	"Loss of Innocence"	"Unlimited Power"
Major Texts:	"Marigolds" (Short story) <i>Lord of the Flies</i> (Novel)	<i>Macbeth</i> (play) <i>Frankenstein</i> (novel)
Projects Quizzes	1. Annotation Project 2. Literary Device Project 3. Discussion Seminar (debate) 4. 1 LOTF Quiz	1. Annotation Project 2. Play Elements Project 3. Discussion Seminar 4. Macbeth Quiz 5. Frankenstein Quiz
Major Journals	1. Transformative Moments 2. LOTF Journal - US vs. THEM	1. The World in Your Hands 2. Holiday Journal - Power of the Family
Tests	1. Short story and Literary Device	1. Macbeth Test

	Test 2. LOTF Test	2. Frankenstein Test
Essays	1. Short Stories Contrast 2. LOTF Theme and Device	1. Macbeth Theme and Device 2. Text 2 Theme and Device