

SURVEY OF ENGLISH/BRITISH LITERATURE NCCA
2006/2007
Advanced-level, College Preparatory

COURSE OBJECTIVES:

1. This challenging course explores the history of English literature from Anglo-Saxon times to the Romantic revolution, and enables students to interpret literature both personally and historically through biblical analysis. Authors include Beowulf, Bede, Cynewulf, Bunyan, Shakespeare, Milton, Donne, the English Romantics, Goldsmith, Tennyson, Tolstoy, Dickens, and Chesterton.
2. Students successively study each link in this Great Chain of Being and the revolution of the Hierarchy conception. Presupposition of literal Genesis view, Bible as absolute authority, conservative.
3. To improve writing skills, and to a lesser degree, vocabulary, speaking skills and grammar review.

CLASS FORMAT:

1. Classes are **2.25 hours** long, including a 15-minute break. Classes are Mondays in Oregon City [time TBA]. Students attend weekly classes with reading and writing assignments. Detailed weekly schedule to be released in the early fall of 2006.
2. Students take notes from class lectures and take part in oral discussions critiquing read-aloud selections. Students bring 3" three-ring notebook and pen/pencil to class.
3. Cultural and historical information relating to the time period is presented to assist students in understanding the author and his subject. Every effort will be made to help the students view the subject with a biblical worldview.
4. Classes will combine lecture, class discussion, weekly quizzes, semester exams, PowerPoint structured notes, and interactive read-aloud sessions. Videos and DVDs will be scheduled as appropriate. The all-class email loop provides additional daily interaction and access to the instructor.
5. Digital recordings of sessions are posted weekly at www.thelmaslibrary.com. Username: **TBA**; Password: **TBA**. Please inform the instructor if it will be necessary for you to miss a class. For those unable to access high-speed internet, audio CDs will be made available upon request and a packet of class materials will be mailed the day following class: fee is \$6 per missed class.
6. Occasionally, additional audio recordings will be posted at the website for student listening at home. These recordings include: audio-commentary by Mrs. English on current projects (to supplement classroom introduction), readings of Shakespeare plays (with commentary), and various outside sources.

GRADING:

1. I will grade following the standard scale (A+ 96-100; A 93-95; A- 90-92; B+ 86-89; B 83-85; B- 80-82; C+ 76-79 and so on).
2. Attendance for day classes is critical and will be calculated into the student's participation grade. Students lose one letter grade after three or more absences.
3. One paper may be turned in up to three days late without penalty. The second late paper loses one full grade three hours after it is due, and one letter grade each three days thereafter. Assignments *may not* be e-mailed to the instructor for printing without prior permission. Postal stamp dates will be accepted as turn-in dates.
4. Extra credit is available for film reviews or cultural reports not included in assignments.
5. Seniors will present a research project or paper on an approved topic (sample topics provided).

TEXTS:

Books cost \$50.49, and are available from Mrs. English when ordered by May 31st. Contact Mrs. English after that date.

COSTS:

Materials cost \$40. Books are \$50.49.

English/British Literature 2006/07 Book List

Dover titles:

<u>Beowulf</u> Anonymous [Dover Code 27264-8]	1.50
<u>Everyman</u> Anonymous [Dover Code 28726-2]	2.00
<u>As You Like It</u> Shakespeare [Dover Code 40432-3]	2.00
<u>Much Ado About Nothing</u> Shakespeare [Dover Code 28272-4]	1.50
<u>Complete Sonnets</u> Shakespeare [Dover Code 26686-9]	1.50
<u>Selected Poems</u> John Donne [Dover 0-486-27788-7]	2.00
<u>She Stoops to Conquer</u> Oliver Goldsmith [Dover Code 26867-5]	2.00
<u>English Romantic Poetry: An Anthology</u> [Dover Code 29282-7]	2.50
<u>Selected Poems</u> , Alfred Lord Tennyson [Dover 0-486-27282-6]	2.00
<u>The Kreutzer Sonata</u> Tolstoy- (translation) [Dover Code 27805-0]	2.00
<u>The Cricket on the Hearth</u> Charles Dickens [Dover Code 28039-X]	1.50
<u>Favorite Father Brown Stories</u> G.K. Chesterton [Dover 0-486-27545-0]	2.00
Dover title total	\$22.50

Non-Dover titles:

<u>Pilgrim's Progress in Modern English</u> , Bunyan, Hazelbaker (editor) ISBN: 0882707574	13.99
<u>Paradise Lost</u> John Milton — Norton Critical Edition	14.00
Non-Dover title total	\$27.99

Total cost of texts is **\$50.49**. This does not include the materials cost of \$40.00 or tuition (see syllabus).

Students who wish to order books through Mrs. English may do so by CLEARLY marking the texts needed and enclosing payment by May 31st, 2006. After carefully totaling the cost of books, please send book money to: Thelma English, 1000 N. 5th St., Woodburn, OR 97071.

As always, contact Mrs. English with any questions about the booklist, materials fee, the curriculum, or other details concerning the class: 503-982-5347, Thelma@thelmaslibrary.com, www.thelmaslibrary.com